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(Proceedings commenced at 9:00 a.m.)
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            MR. McNELIS: Good morning, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Good morning. Okay. Ready to call the
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   first witness?
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, the defense calls James
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   Hatcher.
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            THE COURT: I might suggest that one way to save a
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   little time is all of these people -- unless somebody thinks
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   someone is not qualified, it seems to me I've read all the
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   qualifications in the papers you've already handed up
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   previously. I don't think it's necessary to spend so much
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   time just on the qualifications of a witness unless there is
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   some question about whether he's qualified.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I anticipated what the
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   Court just said, and what I was going to do -- we have two
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   experts.
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            THE COURT: You don't have to explain it to me.
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   just making a suggestion.
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            MR. McNELIS: I was going to put the CV in, if no one
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   objected for Dr. Joshua, and have him talk five minutes about
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   his qualifications. Not even that.
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            THE COURT: Okay. That's fine.
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            MR. McNELIS: Mr. Hatcher is not an expert. He is a
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   fact witness, Your Honor.
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1 JAMES HATCHER, DEFENDANT'S WITNESS, SWORN 2 DIRECT EXAMINATION 3 BY MR. McNELIS: 4 Good morning, Mr. Hatcher. 5 Good morning. Α 6 Could you please state your full name and professional 7 address? 8 Willy James Hatcher, 717 Villa Drive, Chester, 9 Pennsylvania. 10 Okay. And Mr. Hatcher, you will probably need to get a little closer to the microphone so everyone can hear your 11 12 testimony. 13 Mr. Hatcher, how are you currently employed? Through Armor Correctional Health Services. 14 Α 15 And what is your position with Armor Correctional Health 16 Services? 17 Senior -- senior regional vice president. 18 Okay. And what region are you the senior vice president 19 for? 20 Α Virginia. 21 Q How long --22 And Virginia only. Α 23 Virginia only? Q 24

And for how long have you been the senior regional vice

Yes.

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- 1 president for Virginia?
- 2 A October 2014.
- 3 Q Now, how many facilities as the regional vice president
- 4 do you currently oversee?
- 5 A 14.
- 6 Q Now, just to be clear, are you a clinical person or are
- 7 you an administrative person?
- 8 A I'm administrative, but I also have a BSN in nursing.
- 9 Q Mr. Hatcher, let me focus you on Fluvanna. Is Fluvanna
- 10 one of the facilities that you are the regional vice president
- 11 for?
- 12 A Yes, sir.
- 13 Q And just briefly describe for the Court what your
- 14 responsibilities are with the different facilities that you
- 15 oversee in Virginia. What generally are your
- 16 responsibilities?
- 17 A Generally, at the facilities we would have a regional
- 18 manager. And that regional manager would be in charge of
- 19 maybe three, four, potentially five facilities. They would
- 20 report directly to me. The site administration would report
- 21 to them.
- 22 Q Is among the responsibilities you have at the different
- 23 facilities, including Fluvanna, providing staff?
- 24 A Yes, sir.
- 25 Q Does that include both nursing staff and medical doctor

- 1 staff, physician staff?
- 2 A Yes, sir.
- 3 Q Let me ask you a little bit about Fluvanna. Were there
- 4 times at Fluvanna after you took over the contract when the
- 5 VDOC would ask you to provide staff above and beyond that
- 6 which the contract called for?
- 7 A Yes, sir.
- 8 Q And what was Armor's response to those requests?
- 9 A We would provide the extra staffing that was required, or
- 10 questioned or asked of us by VDOC.
- 11 Q And did you -- well, let me ask you a couple of specific
- 12 examples. Can you give the Court a few examples of additional
- 13 staff that Armor was requested to provide that you provided at
- 14 Fluvanna?
- 15 A Physical therapy. We provided a physical therapy person
- 16 who worked exclusively at Fluvanna. We brought on two
- 17 additional PT assistants to provide care at Fluvanna.
- 18 They requested that we bring on an HR person that
- 19 would be on the ground at Fluvanna to help with recruitment.
- 20 We did that. We provide extra NP, meaning nurse practitioner,
- 21 hours, as well as medical doctor hours.
- 22 Q Did Armor, to your knowledge -- well, first of all, would
- 23 you be the person to talk to the VDOC about contract issues?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Okay. Did you ask the VDOC to increase their payments

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under the contract for the additional staff they requested? $\label{eq:additional} \text{A} \quad \text{No, we did not.}$

MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, I would just like to say that the plaintiffs have an objection to any line of questioning about pricing, profit and loss, risk-reward, or liquidated damages, if I can just take a minute to sort of explain the basis of that.

So in this case, we noticed Armor Correctional for a 30(b)(6) deposition. Mr. McNelis is counsel for Armor as well as VDOC. They objected and filed a motion to quash our notice, which the Court denied in part. Ordered the parties to meet and confer; we did that, narrowed the topics down to 26, I think, six of which we agreed to accept written responses. So then there became an issue over Topics 1 and 2, which is the substance, including pricing, of Armor's contract with VDOC for health care at FCCW to be performed at any time during the period from February 5, 2016, to the present, including any risk-reward or other provisions contemplating cost savings achieved by the contractor in performance of the contract; and then the second one was standards and criteria by which Armor evaluated the profitability of the contract, and the identity and location of all documents referring, relating, or reflecting such evaluation.

And at one point, Mr. Hatcher was designated as the person to answer those questions, to be deposed on June 1.

On May 30, I heard from counsel, who said in trying to prepare Mr. Hatcher it's become abundantly clear that he has nothing to do with the contracting process or pricing, or determining profits or losses on the VDOC contract. It is further abundantly clear that only Bruce Teal can field the money questions. And thus, we did not depose Mr. Hatcher on those topics, and in fact, nobody was ever made available to answer those questions.

So on the one hand, plaintiffs would object because it doesn't appear that the witness is qualified under Rule 602 to answer those questions from personal knowledge; or on the other hand, if he is qualified, then we would object under Rule 37 because Armor failed to provide somebody to answer those questions under Rule 30(b)(6).

MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I'm trying to keep this brief because this is a really complicated situation, but this is what happened. We objected to their 30(b)(6) notice. It was filed two and a half weeks before the close of discovery. And Judge Hoppe said, That's a little late. That's quite late. Why don't you meet and confer and see if you can whittle that down?

Mr. Bennett -- Lynn Bennett, who is not here -- and I met in his office. I drove to his office and we met for an hour. And we whittled the 30(b)(6) notice down somewhat.

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That specific topic, originally the agreement was we would produce financial records, and then we would provide a telephone interview with the CEO, Bruce Teal, who is also the financial guy. And we offered a date for Mr. Teal, and they said that date is too late. Mr. Teal was on a vacation. So they said, no, that's too late. That's not going to work. then I said, well, let me see if I can get James Hatcher to cover so we don't have to go and raise the issue again. In prepping Mr. Hatcher, he is not the, you know, profit-and-loss numbers guy. Those subjects are specific numbers-type questions, accounting questions. He's not an accountant. So I said, he is not the guy to do it. We can offer Bruce Teal on that same day. And it -- you know, it went back and forth and it just didn't work out. No one refused to provide a witness on that. We were trying to --THE COURT: Well, if he didn't know then, how does he know today? MR. McNELIS: Well, he is not going to talk about that. I'm not going to have him talk about detailed accounting stuff. He doesn't know that. No, sir, I'm not going to get that from him. I'm asking him, when Armor -- the question is, when VDOC asked for additional personnel, did Armor provide it? Did you ask for more money? Now, that is not what subjects 1

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ambit of that 30(b)(6) notice, just because he wasn't tendered
as a corporate representative on the subject doesn't mean he
can't have some knowledge about it. I mean, that's not -- to
my knowledge, that's not how 30(b)(6) works.
         We are trying to put forth the person who has the
best knowledge of the corporation. He is not the person who
has the best knowledge for Armor about pricing, profits and
      That's not -- because he is not an accountant.
         THE COURT: Well, will you ask for someone who would
know it?
        MR. McNELIS: We had a deal, Mr. Bennett and I, that
I would provide the financials, which I did. I gave him the
financials. They were going to have a telephone interview
with Bruce Teal, the CEO, who is also the chief financial
officer, and then they were going to submit written questions
after the telephone interview. It broke down when I said
Mr. Teal is available for a telephone interview on June 6.
        All these negotiations were going on in late in May,
Your Honor. Everything was pushed way back. And they said,
no, that's too late. We don't want that date.
         THE COURT: Well, let's go with this witness and what
he knows. I don't --
        MR. McNELIS: Yes, sir. I'm not going to ask him
what he doesn't know, sir.
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THE COURT: You can object to it later. Move to just

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   strike his evidence if it's not proper.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Mr. Hatcher, you were explaining to the Court the
   specific examples of when the VDOC requested additional
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   staffing in the Fluvanna contract.
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            I believe my question was: Did Armor ask the VDOC
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   for additional money under the contract to provide that
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        No, we did not.
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            THE COURT: Well, why not? I mean, you are in
   business. Why would -- and you have got a contract. Why
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            THE WITNESS: Because we had been a partner of the
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   DOC for quite some time, since 2006, and we valued that
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   partnership. So we were so concerned about care, about health
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   care. We wasn't as concerned about money. We wanted to do a
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   good job.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Go ahead.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        And Mr. Hatcher, you mention -- I believe you said you
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   have 14 facilities in Virginia that you manage?
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        And do you manage 14 facilities now?
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Over the past four years, of those 14 facilities, which

- 1 one has occupied the majority of your time, sir?
- 2 A Fluvanna.
- 3 Q Why is that?
- 4 A It has been the most challenging one.
- 5 Q How so? How has it been the most challenging one?
- 6 A In terms of staffing, in terms of recruiting, in terms of
- 7 retention, Fluvanna by far has been the most challenging one
- 8 of the other 13.
- 9 Q Now, let me ask you: You were explaining how additional
- 10 staffing had been requested and was provided. Have you, in
- 11 your position with Armor, received any resistance to assisting
- 12 with additional staffing or providing other resources to
- 13 Fluvanna?
- 14 A I don't understand your question, sir.
- 15 Q I'm saying, within Armor, when the VDOC has requested,
- 16 for example, additional staffing, and you indicated that the
- 17 staffing was provided, have you encountered -- you, sir, in
- 18 Armor's chain of command -- resistance to doing that? No, we
- 19 don't want to do that?
- 20 A No, not at all.
- 21 Q From your perspective as the regional vice president of
- 22 the Virginia contract, has Armor tried to cooperate as best
- 23 that you can to assist the VDOC to provide good care at
- 24 Fluvanna?
- 25 A Yes, we have.

- 1 Q Now, let me ask you: There has been a lot of testimony
 2 about difficulties hiring a medical director. Do you have any
 3 involvement, sir, in hiring medical staff at Fluvanna?
- 4 A Yes, sir.
- 5 Q What is your responsibility or role within that process?
- 6 A We have a full-time recruiter on the ground on-site at
- 7 Fluvanna who would assist in that process as well. We have a
- 8 regional recruiter whose responsibility it is to recruit.
- 9 Between the two of them, they would use various means of
- 10 advertisement to attract people to apply.
- Once someone applied and we got into the interview
- 12 state -- and usually that would happen on the phone first, we
- 13 would do a phone interview -- when that happened, I would be
- 14 involved with that process.
- 15 Q Can you tell the Court what types of recruiting efforts
- 16 were undertaken to find a medical director at Fluvanna? How
- 17 | did y'all go about that?
- 18 A What we would do, we would get a listing from the
- 19 Virginia medical licensing board of physicians that were
- 20 licensed in Virginia in that immediate area. And then we
- 21 would do cold calling. We would do mailings. We would do
- 22 things of that sort to let them know that we had a position
- 23 available.
- 24 Q Did you hire recruiters to assist you? Did you have
- 25 recruiters that assisted you in --

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q Can you tell the Court about that, about the recruiters
- 3 and what they would do for you?
- 4 A The recruiters would then screen those applicants. And
- 5 once they got a CV, once that applicant appeared to be
- 6 interested, then we would set up a phone interview.
- 7 Q Did you do any national recruiting using the Internet or
- 8 anything of that nature?
- 9 A Yes, we did.
- 10 Q Can you tell the Court about that?
- 11 A We advertised through MD, ZipRecruiter, Craigslist.
- 12 Virginia, through Fluvanna County; they allowed us to do a
- 13 posting with them. CareerBuilder. Social media, to include,
- 14 Facebook, LinkedIn. We also advertised through the Virginia
- 15 Council of Nurse Practitioners, Family Physician magazine in
- 16 Virginia, Doximity. So we attempted to hire a physician
- 17 through many different sources.
- MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, if I may approach, I'm
- 19 going to ask the court reporter to mark this as Defendant's
- 20 Exhibit 32 for identification.
- 21 (Defendant Exhibit Number 32 was marked and received.)
- 22 MR. McNELIS: May I approach the witness, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 24 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 25 Q Mr. Hatcher, I'm going to show you what's been marked as

- 1 Defendant's Exhibit 32 for identification.
- 2 Mr. Hatcher, do you recognize Defendant's 32 for
- 3 identification?
- 4 A Yes, sir.
- 5 Q Can you please tell the Court what it is?
- 6 A It's a listing of physicians that we in some way or the
- 7 other have been in contact with since early '16, 2016, that we
- 8 attempted to get to work for us at Fluvanna.
- 9 Q And how many physicians are listed on Exhibit 32 for
- 10 | identification?
- 11 A There's 21, but one is listed twice. So in essence there
- 12 would be 20.
- 13 Q Did you have a role in reviewing these 20 candidates in
- 14 some fashion for potentially filling the spot of full-time
- 15 medical director at Fluvanna?
- 16 A I did not interview or personally get involved with all
- 17 of them. Some of them never made it to a phone interview.
- 18 Q Why is that, to your knowledge?
- 19 A Some never got back to us after several requests for CVs.
- 20 Some, when they got back to our recruiters, they said they
- 21 wasn't interested in relocating. They wasn't licensed in
- 22 Virginia. So there was a combination of reasons why several
- 23 of them never made it to the interview process.
- 24 Q Did some of them make it to the interview process?
- 25 A Yes, sir.

- 1 Q And of the ones who made it to the interview process, did
- 2 any of them accept the position of regional medical
- 3 director -- or were any of them offered the position of
- 4 regional medical director?
- 5 A Yes. Yes.
- 6 Q Did any of them accept?
- 7 MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, I just want to say that
- 8 plaintiffs do have an objection to this exhibit. We did
- 9 object on the basis of the defendant's mischaracterization of
- 10 that document, on the basis of relevance and unfair prejudice,
- 11 and on the basis of hearsay. Of course, if he is just using
- 12 it to refresh his recollection, that's --
- 13 MR. McNELIS: I haven't offered it yet, Your Honor.
- 14 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 15 Q Mr. Hatcher, the question I asked you before we had the
- 16 objection was: Did any of the physicians to whom you offered
- 17 the job of regional medical director accept the job?
- 18 A We had one that accepted the assistant or acting or
- 19 medical director-in-training position, yes. We had one.
- 20 0 And who was that?
- 21 A His name was -- we called him Dr. K, because it was
- 22 somewhat hard to pronounce.
- 23 Q Is it Dr. Kwiatkowski?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Now, there's been some testimony about

- 1 Dr. Kwiatkowski -- well, strike that.
- 2 Dr. Kwiatkowski is currently employed at Fluvanna.
- 3 Correct?
- 4 A Correct.
- 5 Q And what is his current position?
- 6 A You mean what is his title?
- 7 Q Yes, what's his title? Yes, sir.
- 8 A He is the medical director-in-training.
- 9 Q And we understand that the full-time medical director is
- 10 Dr. Gable; is that correct?
- 11 A That is correct.
- 12 Q Now, Dr. Kwiatkowski, did you have involvement in his
- 13 hiring?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Now, there has been testimony that -- well, first of all,
- 16 is Dr. Kwiatkowski a UVA medical school graduate?
- 17 A That is -- yes. According to his CV.
- 18 Q And is he an AOA, Alpha Omega Alpha, UVA medical
- 19 graduate?
- 20 A Yes, it is our understanding that he came in at the top
- 21 | 10 percent of his class, yes.
- 22 Q After he graduated in the top 10 percent of his class at
- 23 the University of Virginia, did he go to the University of
- 24 North Carolina Chapel Hill and complete a three-year residency
- 25 program in family practice?

- 1 A That is my understanding, that he was licensed in two
- 2 states.
- 3 Q Okay. And he went on to become board certified in family
- 4 practice. Correct?
- 5 A That is my understanding.
- 6 Q And to your knowledge, is he still board certified in
- 7 family practice?
- 8 A That is my understanding.
- 9 Q And is he licensed, to your knowledge, actively licensed,
- 10 in North Carolina and the Commonwealth of Virginia?
- 11 A That is my understanding.
- 12 Q And is Dr. Kwiatkowski currently -- I think you said he's
- 13 currently working at the facility?
- 14 A Correct.
- 15 Q Has he -- as I understand, you are not a clinical person.
- 16 Have you heard good things about his provision of health care?
- MS. CASTANEDA: Objection. Hearsay.
- 18 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 19 Q Is Dr. Kwiatkowski a good physician?
- 20 MS. CASTANEDA: Objection. Calling for opinion
- 21 testimony.
- 22 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 23 Q All right. Let me rephrase it this way. Have you had
- 24 any problems or complaints, to your knowledge, as -- if a
- 25 physician is not doing their job right at Fluvanna and there

- 1 is a complaint, is that something you would be aware of?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q Okay. Have there been complaints about Dr. Kwiatkowski's
- 4 clinical practice?
- 5 A No, sir.
- 6 Q All right. Is Exhibit 32 for identification a summary,
- 7 an accurate summary, of the interactions you had with the 20
- 8 doctors who you considered for the medical director position
- 9 at Fluvanna?
- 10 A Yes.
- MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I would like to offer
- 12 Defendant's Exhibit 32 for identification, as Defendant's
- 13 Exhibit 32 is a summary of efforts to hire a medical director,
- 14 under Federal Rule of Evidence 1006. That's my basis.
- 15 MS. CASTANEDA: Plaintiffs, as stated, have
- 16 objections on the basis of relevance, unfair prejudice, and
- 17 hearsay, and also foundation.
- 18 THE COURT: Well, it's relevant to show how many
- 19 people they talked to looking for a medical director, so I
- 20 will admit it.
- MR. McNELIS: Thank you, sir.
- 22 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 23 Q Now, let me ask you about nursing staff, Mr. Hatcher.
- 24 Were you also involved as the regional vice president for the
- 25 Virginia contract in recruiting nursing staff?

- 1 A Yes, I was.
- 2 Q Let me ask you: Were there challenges -- well, strike
- 3 that.
- Was it difficult to hire nursing staff at Fluvanna?
- 5 A Yes, it was.
- 6 Q Was it difficult to hire nursing staff at the other 13
- 7 facilities that you were the regional vice president for?
- 8 A Not as challenging as Fluvanna.
- 9 Q Can you tell the Court what challenges you had at
- 10 | Fluvanna?
- 11 A One example: We had a job fair in Fluvanna. Only one
- 12 person showed up. We had folk who would accept -- they would
- 13 interview, they would accept the position, and at some point
- 14 before they even started they would call us back and say that
- 15 they had changed their mind.
- 16 Q Did they say why they had changed their mind?
- 17 A When we did the interview --
- 18 MS. CASTANEDA: Objection. Hearsay.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 MR. McNELIS: Okay. Yes, sir.
- 21 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 22 Q Any other challenges that you can recall with regard to
- 23 hiring nursing staff at Fluvanna?
- 24 A When we did the interview, we would let them know that
- 25 Fluvanna was under a settlement agreement. We wanted to be

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   very up front and candid with them. And many of them at some
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   point -- not that they all said that they wasn't coming as a
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   result of that, but some at that point did not.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Objection. Hearsay.
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            THE COURT: Sustained.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Let's not talk about what they said, but what did they
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   do?
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        They did not come to work for us at Fluvanna.
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        Did you at some point -- or strike that.
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            Did you offer incentives? Did Armor offer incentives
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   to try to hire nurses at Fluvanna that were unique to
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   Fluvanna?
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        Yes, we did.
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            MR. McNELIS: Let me have marked as Defendant's
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   Exhibit 33 for identification this document.
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         (Defendant Exhibit Number 33 was marked and received.)
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            MR. McNELIS: May I approach, Your Honor?
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            THE COURT: Yes.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
        I'm going to present to you what I have had marked as
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   Defendant's Exhibit 33 for identification.
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            Mr. Hatcher, have you seen Defendant's 33 for
   identification before?
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        Yes, I have.
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- 1 Q Can you tell the Court what Defendant's Exhibit 33 for
- 2 identification is?
- 3 A It's a posting that -- of the advertisement that we used
- 4 in order to attract a medical director as well as nurses at
- 5 Fluvanna.
- 6 Q And what type of financial incentives did Armor offer
- 7 at -- to hire nursing staff at Fluvanna?
- 8 A For an LPN, we offered \$1,800; for RNs, we offered 2,000.
- 9 Q 1,800 for what? When you're saying 1,800, 1,800 --
- 10 A \$1,800.
- 11 Q A sign-on bonus?
- 12 A Yes, a sign-on bonus.
- 13 Q And for RNs, you said 2,000?
- 14 A 2,000 as a sign-on bonus. And as a medical director,
- 15 | 10,000 as a sign-on bonus.
- 16 Q And did you offer, from time to time, other incentives,
- 17 other than what are reflected on Defendant's Exhibit 33 for
- 18 identification?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q And is Defendant's Exhibit 33 for identification in fact
- 21 a description of an incentive hiring program that you had at
- 22 Fluvanna?
- 23 A In addition to this, we also gave the nurses at Fluvanna,
- 24 LPNs, a \$2-per-hour raise. We gave the RNs a \$1-an-hour
- 25 raise.

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        Mr. Hatcher, despite those incentives -- well, did those
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   incentive programs fix the problems you were having hiring
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   staff at Fluvanna?
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, can we have a time frame
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   on this?
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            MR. McNELIS: Absolutely, Your Honor.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Do you remember approximately when the incentive hiring
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   program took place, or over what period of time, Mr. Hatcher?
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        I think it would have started in January of 2016, and
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   Exhibit 33 for identification, is that an accurate description
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   of an incentive program that Armor offered during the time
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   frame that you just identified?
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            MR. McNELIS: I would like to move Defendant's
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   Exhibit 33 into evidence -- for identification into evidence
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   as Defendant's 33.
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            THE COURT:
                        All right.
                                     It will be admitted.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: No objection.
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            MR. McNELIS: Thank you.
   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Mr. Hatcher, can you tell us -- you mentioned earlier
   that Armor's providing a full-time physical therapist at
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- 1 Fluvanna?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And there were also physical therapy assistants at
- 4 Fluvanna?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q At the other 13 facilities that you manage, to your
- 7 knowledge, in those facilities -- do you provide a full-time
- 8 physical therapist at any other facility?
- 9 A No, we do not.
- 10 Q How about the human resources director? Do you have one
- 11 at Fluvanna?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Do you have those at all the other 13 facilities that
- 14 you --
- 15 A No, we do not.
- 16 Q Are there any other extra staff that you have at Fluvanna
- 17 that you don't have at the other 13 facilities?
- 18 A We provide more hours for some of the staff that is
- 19 outside of the contract at Fluvanna than we do at any other
- 20 facility.
- 21 Q What is Armor's purpose in providing additional staff
- 22 above and beyond the contract, not requesting additional
- 23 compensation? What is Armor's purpose in doing that at
- 24 Fluvanna?
- 25 A Because we want to provide good health care.

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             MR. McNELIS:
                          Thank you, sir. Those are the
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   questions I have this morning.
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                           CROSS-EXAMINATION
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   BY MS. CASTANEDA:
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        Mr. Hatcher, is Armor a for-profit corporation?
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        Armor didn't meet the staffing requirements of the VDOC
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   contract for the months of February and April through December
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   of 2017; is that correct?
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        And Armor had to pay penalties for not meeting the
   staffing requirements; is that right?
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        Armor also paid penalties for not meeting the staffing
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   requirements in January and February of 2018; is that right?
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        Correct.
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         Is Armor's contract with VDOC scheduled to end in October
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   of this year?
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        Yes.
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            MS. CASTANEDA:
                            No further questions.
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             THE COURT: All right.
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            MR. McNELIS: Can I ask just one redirect, Your
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   Honor?
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                         REDIRECT EXAMINATION
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        With regard to penalties for staff, from -- is it less
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   expensive to provide somebody, or is it less expensive to pay
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   a penalty?
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, I would just restate our
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   objection under Rule 37, and also --
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            THE COURT: Sustained.
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            You haven't provided -- they requested all this
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   financial information. It wasn't provided, is my
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   understanding.
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            MR. McNELIS: No, sir, it was provided. I personally
   provided it. Yes, sir, it was provided.
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            THE COURT: Well, who is the witness that's missing
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   that has the information?
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, we are not putting on a
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   financial case. That's not my case.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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            MR. McNELIS: That's not my case, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Well, then, don't ask the question.
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            MR. McNELIS: Well, she opened the door to penalties.
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   I didn't bring it up on direct, Your Honor.
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            MR. McNELIS: That's why I asked it.
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            THE COURT: That didn't -- go ahead. Let's go.
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            MR. McNELIS: Okay. I have nothing further, Your
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   Honor.
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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF BARBARA SEABERT

1 THE COURT: Thank you, sir. You may step down. 2 Next witness. 3 MS. GRIGGS: She is coming in sworn. 4 BARBARA SEABERT, DEFENDANT'S, SWORN 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION 6 BY MS. GRIGGS: 7 Could you state your name for the record, please? 8 Barbara Jean Seabert. Α 9 Good morning, Ms. Seabert. Can you tell us, are you 10 currently employed at Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women? 11 Α No. When were you last employed there? 12 13 April 1, 2018. Α 14 Q And what was your position at that time? 15 Α Director of nursing. 16 And when did you become director of nursing at Fluvanna 17 Correctional Center for Women? 18 Α December 2016. 19 And had you been at Fluvanna before you became director 20 of nursing? 21 Α Yes. 22 What was your position before you were the director of 23 nursing? 24 I was a supervisor for building two.

And when did you first come to be employed at Fluvanna

- 1 | Correctional Center for Women?
- 2 A End of May 2016.
- 3 Q Are you a licensed health care provider?
- 4 A I am.
- 5 Q What type of license?
- 6 A I'm a registered nurse.
- 7 Q I want to ask you a little bit about your background
- 8 before we start to talk about Fluvanna, if I could.
- 9 When did you first become a licensed nurse?
- 10 A 2005.
- 11 Q And what were you doing prior to 2005?
- 12 A I was in the military for the National Guard. I did 25
- 13 years there. And I also was an aircraft mechanic before I
- 14 became a nurse.
- 15 Q Were you a health care provider any of that time while
- 16 you were in the military?
- 17 A I was.
- 18 Q What type of health care provider?
- 19 A I was a medic on a UH-1 helicopter, and then I became a
- 20 | nurse once I -- in 2005.
- 21 Q And as a nurse from 2005 on, can you give us just a
- 22 little bit of your background?
- 23 A I was -- I went right into emergency medicine, so I was
- 24 an ER nurse. And I did that all the way up until 2013, and
- 25 then I went into management when I got my master's.

- 1 Q So you have a master's in nursing?
- 2 A I do.
- 3 Q Okay. And then from your master's you went straight to
- 4 Fluvanna?
- 5 A I had -- actually was an ER nurse in management in two
- 6 different ERs for Corovion. And then when I moved up to
- 7 Charlottesville, I went to Fluvanna.
- 8 Q I want to talk to you a little bit about how nursing
- 9 generally was provided at Fluvanna Correctional Center for
- 10 Women when you got there.
- We've heard some testimony so far about nurses in
- 12 buildings and sick call and things like that. Can you tell us
- 13 sort of where was health care provided at Fluvanna when you
- 14 first got there?
- 15 A The LPNs were in all the outside buildings, which were
- 16 one, two, three, five, six, and eight. The RNs were the
- 17 supervisors. And they were also in acute, and they were also
- 18 in the infirmary.
- 19 Q And those buildings where the LPNs were located, were
- 20 those residential housing units?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And then building two, was that sort of the central
- 23 medical facility for Fluvanna?
- 24 A That's correct.
- 25 Q Okay. What were the services that LPNs were providing in

- 1 those residential units when you started at Fluvanna?
- 2 A They gave the pills during our pill line. They did
- 3 treatment lines. And then they were -- kind of like, if the
- 4 offenders came to them and had a complaint, they would write
- 5 that down, and then they would call the provider and get
- 6 further treatment.
- 7 Q Did they have any role in sick call, the LPNs in the
- 8 individual buildings?
- 9 A They would actually do vitals and they would write down
- 10 the complaint. If it was something that was in their scope of
- 11 practice, then they would give out, like, let's say, anything
- 12 that you would take at home, Pepto Bismol. But they had to
- 13 have, you know, that order for it. If not, they would call
- 14 the provider.
- 15 Q So the LPNs were providing that care in each of the
- 16 individual buildings. And then what care was being provided
- 17 in building two?
- 18 A The infirmary, acute care, the sick call, and then also
- 19 for the clinic for the providers.
- $20 \mid Q$ And then -- so sick call that was in building two, what
- 21 type of a provider was providing that when you started at
- 22 Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women?
- 23 A For sick call?
- 24 Q Yes, in building two.
- 25 A An LPN.

- Q Okay. And then there were providers in the clinic?
- 2 A Correct.

- 3 Q When you started at Fluvanna Correctional Center for
- 4 Women, did you tell us that you were a nurse supervisor?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q What did that mean? What were you doing?
- 7 A So I was in building two. So I was making sure that the
- 8 infirmary, for people that were coming back from their
- 9 appointments were getting the vitals and were okay to go back
- 10 to the buildings. Was, you know, supervising the LPNs, the
- 11 RNs. I was actually on the floor helping them if they needed
- 12 help. I was giving them lunch breaks. I would go back to
- 13 acute and make sure that those nurses were doing okay, because
- 14 there was just one RN back there to provide for those acute
- 15 care inmates.
- 16 Chronic care was there. So I was always making sure
- 17 she was on time, and then that the sick call was running well,
- 18 and then also that the doctors were still running, you know,
- 19 on time. And if they were late, then I would stay and help
- 20 them or make sure the LPNs could stay and help.
- 21 Q When you were in the private practice of nursing in
- 22 emergency rooms and things like that, did nursing supervisors
- 23 provide similar sorts of support?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q So you were familiar with this before you got to

Fluvanna?

- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q Okay. After -- let's talk a little bit about some of the
- 4 actual services that were provided by the LPNs. Can you
- 5 describe for us pill call or pill distribution?
- 6 A We went off of a time that the DOC, you know, gave us.
- 7 | So we would have pill line ready right at 5:30. We would have
- 8 a diabetic line first so they could go get breakfast, and then
- 9 we would start the regular pill line.
- We did that pill line for morning. We did a pill
- 11 line again at noon. We did a pill line again at 4:00. And
- 12 then we did another pill line at night, about 8:30, 9:00.
- 13 Q Was there more than one diabetic stick during the day?
- 14 A Yes. We had diabetic stick in the morning, noon, and
- 15 then dinnertime, and then at night.
- 16 Q And then talk to me a little bit, please, about
- 17 treatments that were done by the LPNs.
- 18 A Treatments were twice a day. They were usually around
- 19 10:00 or 11:00, and then again at night, 8:30.
- 20 Q When you first came to Fluvanna, was it your
- 21 understanding that this format of LPNs in the buildings
- 22 providing this care had been in place for a number of years?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q After you had been at Fluvanna for a period of time, did
- 25 you reach any conclusions about that form of providing nursing

care?

A Yes. I had noticed that those nurses were isolated.

They were -- in the buildings, they seemed like they were -- I

4 felt like I was running around trying to keep them up and

5 helping them any which way I can, and I was only one person.

So I would be in building three, and there would be a problem in building eight. And we were, you know, trying to run back and forth to help them, to keep them up to date, you know, because things would happen. You know, medical emergencies, or somebody would get burned in the kitchen or something like that. So we would have to stop our treatment lines or pill lines, and that made us behind. And a lot of the nurses would complain and say, I'm just isolated. I feel like, you know, we are not a team. We need to be together.

And then I was having a hard time knowing if they were on time to work, unless -- every time I came to work, I would, you know, have to run to all those buildings and make sure that everybody was there.

Trying to get everybody lunch breaks was difficult, because it was just me trying to run around and help them. So we did have some supervisors later on that would help me. But they didn't stay but maybe two or three months at a time.

- Q Did you come to some conclusion about -- recommend any changes for this form of providing nursing care?
- 25 A I did. It took me a while. When I first got there, I

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was just trying to learn my role. And then after a while I noticed the nurses coming to me with the complaints, and saying, hey, I'm just behind all the time, I need help.
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It's when I went to our HSA at the time and kind of just brainstormed and said, you know, maybe this would help if we brought everybody together in building two. And it took me time to brainstorm it, write it out on paper, get meetings together, and just get everybody, you know, understanding what I was trying to form. And it took a while to -- you know, but after meetings and we kind of put everything on paper, went to the warden, and there was just a -- we finally decided that everybody needs to be a team and be in one building.

- Q When did you first start this process of trying to analyze how to make the system work better?
- 15 A I would say -- I would say August of 2016.
- 16 Q Did you at any point in time discuss your thoughts on
- 17 this with Dr. Scharff?

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- 18 A I did. Pretty much after I had everything on paper and
- 19 we had, you know, the coming together as a management team and
- 20 then we passed it on to him. And he -- you know, he said,
- 21 Well, I think it's a good idea, but you need to give me more
- 22 details. So that's why we had to go back to the drawing board
- 23 and really draw it out for him.
- 24 Q Okay. So you worked with him on it for a period of time?
- 25 A At least four or five months.

- 1 Q Did you consider this to be a fundamental change in the
- 2 | way nursing care was provided at Fluvanna?
- 3 A I did. I thought it would be better. I thought it would
- 4 be a team effort. I would know if, you know, people needed
- 5 breaks or were sick or -- you know, it would be better care
- 6 for the inmates. I just thought it was a better form instead
- 7 of everybody being isolated out in the buildings by
- 8 themselves.
- 9 Q And has that change ultimately come to pass at Fluvanna,
- 10 with the nurses out of the individual buildings?
- 11 A Yes. It seemed like it stopped all the call-ins and it
- 12 stopped a lot of negativity.
- 13 Q While you were at Fluvanna, was there also a change to
- 14 the provider process for sick call?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q What happened there?
- 17 A I felt that we were putting our nurses into -- out of
- 18 their scope of practice. I felt that the nurses needed to be
- 19 closer to the doctors if there was any problem, and not trying
- 20 to call them or actually, you know, leave the building and
- 21 that kind of thing. It just seemed like it was just better
- 22 all around.
- 23 Q And has that now changed as well?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Do you know who Distarti Whitehead is?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q Can you tell us what your understanding of
- 3 Ms. Whitehead's role was?
- 4 A She worked for the state. And what she did was she
- 5 monitored us every month and looked at all of our paperwork,
- 6 everything that we were doing, physicians and nurses, and kind
- 7 of giving us feedback on what we could do better.
- 8 And I talked to her all the time about our settlement
- 9 agreement. Some things I didn't understand in the settlement
- 10 agreement, and I would go to her and she would just, you know,
- 11 help me out and understand where things were at and policies,
- 12 or -- she was my go-to person to try to do better for
- 13 Fluvanna.
- 14 Q And then what would you do with the information you got
- 15 from Ms. Whitehead?
- 16 A Well, of course, it helped me understand, so then it
- 17 helped me be better as a leader, to go back to my nurses and
- 18 say, you know, we are doing this wrong. Let's, you know,
- 19 correct this. You know, like, they would miss dates and
- 20 times, and I was like, you know, you have to make sure you
- 21 have dates and times and that kind of thing.
- 22 Q Were you at any point in time during your period at
- 23 Fluvanna responsible for training of nurses?
- 24 A I was.
- 25 Q Can you tell us a little bit about how that training

would work?

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A When I first started there, we didn't really have a system of who was going where. So I actually made a chart, and I had everybody's name on there, when their BLS was needed — was due, if they've had Sapphire training, if they had Phase 1 and Phase 2 training, if they even had nursing training that is called Nursing Skills that the state had provided.

Once I did that chart, every week I sent it to the warden and actually even made a list of who was going to go to classes and when. And I stuck to that, to that regimen. And a lot of times I worked 80, 90 hours a week to make sure those nurses went to that training. I worked days, I worked nights, just to get my nurses trained.

- 15 Q Did you have times where, due to staffing needs, you had 16 to postpone training for periods of time?
 - A I did, because the warden, the new warden that came in, he was like, I would like to see everybody go through Phase 2. Phase 2 was nine days long. It really didn't have anything to do with nursing. It was more just how the state ran. And
- 21 that was nine days that we just didn't have.

We didn't have PRN nurses. We didn't have any backup. It was just the nurses that were there. So it was very hard for me. So a lot of times we did have to postpone that Phase 2, but it really wasn't anything with nursing.

- 1 Q Can you tell us a little bit about what was Phase 1 of
- 2 training?
- 3 A Phase 1 was more policy and procedures and a lot of the
- 4 roles that would go on with DOC; security, just how the prison
- 5 ran. There was some training in there with BLS, but we did
- 6 our own training.
- 7 Q What is BLS?
- 8 A Basic Life Skills. It's CPR.
- 9 Q Was there PREA training for the nurses?
- 10 A There was PREA training for the nurses. And they had to
- 11 do that before they came into the building.
- 12 0 What is PREA?
- 13 A PREA training is if the inmates say that they are
- 14 sexually abused or harassed.
- 15 Q And it teaches the nurses how to deal with that?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q Any other training that they had to have before they
- 18 could start?
- 19 A They had a key class, which was how to have your keys
- 20 secured; you know, not just dangling on your side or, you
- 21 know, leaving them where somebody could pick them up. And
- 22 then it also had to do with security.
- 23 Q We were talking a little bit ago about Distarti Whitehead
- 24 and how you were meeting with her. Over what period of time
- 25 were you meeting with Ms. Whitehead?

- 1 A Pretty much the whole time I was there. As a manager, I
- 2 didn't understand some of the settlement agreement. So I
- 3 would go to her. And then definitely I picked it up more when
- 4 I was DON, just always asking her for help.
- 5 Q So this started in May of 2016 and continued up through
- 6 shortly before you left?
- 7 A Correct.
- 8 Q And then when you were managing this training, creating
- 9 this training chart, when was that happening?
- 10 A I started that, like, January of 2017, right after I
- 11 became DON.
- 12 Q And you maintained that up through the time until right
- 13 shortly before you left?
- 14 A I did.
- 15 Q Did you ever have to fire people?
- 16 A As DON I would always contact HR to make sure that I did
- 17 the appropriate steps, and I would always go through the HSA.
- 18 And then I would also call Mr. Hatcher, and we would as a team
- 19 decide what was the best disciplinary action.
- 20 Q Were there some nurses who came and this just wasn't the
- 21 right environment for them?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Do you remember --
- MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, may I have a moment?
- 25 BY MS. GRIGGS:

Q I'm just going to ask you if you remember a nurse. I'm not going to use her name.

Do you remember a nurse who where you were called to the warden's office to discuss some incidents that happened related to her care? She was an agency nurse.

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- Q Can you tell us a little bit about that incident?
- A She was an agency nurse that had only been there for a couple weeks, and we had put her down in building six, which was it was a very difficult building. There was a lot of drug distribution down there. There were a lot of inmates who had disciplinary. And it was just it was a building that needed a strong nurse.

She had past experience in, you know, inmates in prisons. But this just kind of took her a little bit over the edge. She couldn't get the computer going well. She kind of fumbled. The inmates were very rude and disrespectful to her. And I think it just made her very nervous.

So when I came in that morning, as soon as I found out that she had just had a lot of difficulties -- you know, passing pills, trying to get on the computer -- I went down there right away and helped her and got her up to speed.

Unfortunately, she had almost given the wrong dose of insulin to an inmate, and that inmate caught it, and then of course, you know, started screaming and yelling at her. And

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then we had went to the warden, you know, and we sat down with
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         And she explained herself, but she basically said right
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   to the warden, This isn't for me. It's just too chaotic.
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        As a supervisor, did you ever monitor activities of your
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        I did. You know, inmates like to tell on each other.
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   And so, you know, I would always have my ears open and listen.
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   And if I had an inmate come to me and say, She is, you know,
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   on the computer and she is not helping me or that kind of
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   thing, I would go to that nurse. And I would say, What's
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   going on? You know, did something happen last night?
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   emailed and had asked people that monitor and said, you know,
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   Can you just -- here's four names. Can you tell me what they
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   are doing at night? And it came back that, you know, they
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   were watching Netflix and that they had YouTube on.
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            So I went back to those nurses and I said, Explain to
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        I have evidence. So they basically said -- one of the
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   nurses said, I watch Netflix because I'm ADHD, so I have to
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   have background noise, not just music because that gets on my
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   nerves, but if I have a movie playing, that helps me.
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I did block Netflix, but I let YouTube go on. So YouTube had music and that kind of thing. Because sometimes at night, it just helps, the stimulation, because it's not as active as during the day.

- Q And what sorts of things -- at nighttime, are they starting to prepare sometimes for the next day?
- A They work hard all night long. So as soon as they get in, they take turnover, they do right away, it's pills and treatment line, diabetic line. And then throughout the night, you know, we have inmates that are, you know, saying they have sinus colds or, you know, my ankle hurts, or something. And so those nurses are always doing that. But then they are also preparing the pills for 5:30 in the morning.
- Q Let's talk a little bit about pill distribution. If a nurse prepared the pills, who gave the pills?
 - A That nurse. We were very strict. If you pulled it, you gave it. Even if they were sick, if they just had to leave in the middle of their 12-hour shift, you know, for an emergency or sickness or whatever, but and it would delay pill line because, you know, we wanted to pull our own meds.

And sometimes what we would do if we didn't have time to go back and repull them, so we would live pull, is what it's called. We'd open up the door -- the inmate was in front of us -- we would just pull them out and give them.

Q Did the live pulls move as fast as the prepulled?

- 1 A Absolutely not. It took multiple hours.
- 2 Q To distribute to each inmate live took multiple hours?
 - A Yes, and they complained about that.
- 4 Q Tell me a little bit about crushing the meds.
- 5 A Well, we started noticing a lot of overdoses and a lot of
- 6 people being caught cheeking their meds, which means that
- 7 they'll put the pills up on their top cheek or underneath
- 8 their tongue or whatever they can to get those pills back out,
- 9 for whatever reason. I don't know. So we came together as a
- 10 management team for psych, and then also our management, our
- 11 providers, and we just said, We have to do something. We
- 12 don't want these ladies to hurt themselves or even die. So we
- 13 decided that we would go through the individual meds and we
- 14 would crush the ones that the providers told us to.
- It was a pushback. The inmates didn't want that.
- 16 They wanted their meds not crushed, for reasons, but we stayed
- 17 strong and we said, No, we will crush the pills.
- 18 Q So you mentioned that you became director of nursing
- 19 December of 2016; is that right?
- 20 A Correct.

- 21 Q How was staffing at that time?
- 22 A It was staffed. We had -- we were fully staffed.
- 23 Q But you still thought there were some of these morale
- 24 issues related to having the nurses out in the individual
- 25 units?

- 1 A Absolutely.
- 2 Q Do you recall the L-card system?
- 3 A I do.
- $4 \mid Q$ Can you tell us a little bit about the L-card system?
- 5 A Well, we had DOC always monitoring our meds, and they
- 6 were always trying to help us, you know, to reorder them
- 7 correctly and on time. And because we had so much in and out
- 8 of our nursing with people quitting or new people coming in or
- 9 agency nurses, they had suggested the L-card system.
- So the L-card system basically is if they got 60
- 11 days' worth of meds, that second card, you would actually
- 12 circle when it needs to be reordered. And then you would put
- 13 up their, you know, reorder, basically. And that really
- 14 helped. It reminded the nurses that, hey, these ladies are on
- 15 this type of whatever medication, and to reorder.
- 16 Q When did that go into place? Do you remember?
- 17 A In the summer of last year.
- 18 Q And who was responsible for putting that in place?
- 19 A Pretty much Armor did, and then our pharmacy lady who had
- 20 been there 20 years.
- 21 0 Is that Ms. Wood?
- 22 A Ms. Wood.
- 23 Q Do you know a Nurse Sapen?
- 24 A I do.
- 25 Q Who was Nurse Sapen?

- 1 A Nurse Sapen was hired last year, early last year, to look
- 2 at our grievances. We had a tremendous amount of grievances,
- 3 and she would go through every single one of them, pull their
- 4 charts. And if it was something significant, she would either
- 5 give it to me or the HSA or even the provider.
- 6 Q So she was hired early in 2017?
- 7 A Correct.
- 8 Q And then the L-card went in in the summer of 2017?
- 9 A That's correct.
- 10 Q At some point in time, were there changes made to -- and
- 11 I'm going to use the wrong word for this -- there were sort of
- 12 emergency pill boxes that you keep at the facility?
- 13 A We started noticing on Fridays, UVA would discharge a lot
- 14 of people back that we had sent out, and they would want an
- 15 antibiotic or they would want a Lortab or Percocet, which was
- 16 a narcotic, and they would send them back at 9:00 or 10:00 at
- 17 night. Well, nothing is open.
- 18 So we started to have pill boxes so when they came
- 19 back they could get their antibiotics or their narcotics. And
- 20 then we tweaked it along the way, and we started doing
- 21 emergency boxes for all the overdoses and -- for all the -- so
- 22 we would do Narcan and things like that, put it in the boxes
- 23 to help.
- 24 Q And when did those changes start to take place?
- 25 A We did that early on. We started noticing that, I would

- probably say -- well, actually, it started right when I came in in 2016, May of 2016.
- Q If you -- you mentioned that if an inmate came in at 9:00
 4 at night, everything was closed. Where would you go if you
 5 didn't have meds in the facility at night? Where was your
- 6 backup pharmacy where you would go?

- 7 A Well, Walmart, usually. Walmart closed at 9:00. And
 8 then if not, we would -- as soon as they opened up that
 9 morning, I would call the nurses. And on their way to work,
 10 they would be waiting for it to open and bring that med.
- 11 Q Okay. What are man-down drills?
 - A Man-down drills were something that DOC had said twice a year that we need to do. So, basically, that person would be a trauma or near death. And they would make a skit and they would do a drill. And so our nurses would go out and we would find that patient and we would triage them and bring them back and just go through that role of a trauma or a death.

When I became DON, I decided we needed more than just twice a year. So I decided anytime that we had an emergency overhead, that we would do that. But then I would make that nurse go through that drill, that drill paperwork. And we got better, how to make sure that we had oxygen go in there and our bags were packed and full and our stretchers — everybody knew how to do the stretchers. So over time, our nurses were fluent, and we weren't just doing it twice a year.

- 1 Q You've mentioned a couple of times medical emergency.
- 2 Can you tell us what you mean by that?
- 3 A So a medical emergency is when an inmate feels like they
- 4 cannot -- it's an emergency. They cannot wait for the
- 5 provider. They do not want to put in a sick call. They want
- 6 to be seen right now by a licensed person.
- 7 So when that happened, we would have four minutes to
- 8 get to that inmate and assess and decide if they needed to go
- 9 back to the infirmary, provider, that kind of thing.
- 10 Q Did you monitor responses to medical emergencies?
- 11 A All the time. I couldn't go to every one of them, but I
- 12 would at least go to one every day.
- 13 Q And when you say you couldn't go to every one of them,
- 14 why wouldn't you go to every one them?
- 15 A Because sometimes we would have 10, 15 a day. And
- 16 sometimes the inmates felt like, let's call medical emergency
- 17 during shift change, or let's do it right before pill line.
- 18 Q As a nursing supervisor, did you ever come across
- 19 personality disputes between nurses?
- 20 A I did.
- 21 Q How would you handle that?
- 22 A First, it was an oral. I would bring them into my office
- 23 and say, you know, What's going on? Sometimes it was
- 24 something they didn't realize, and sometimes they realized,
- 25 you know, I'm starting to get jaded. The inmates are

- 1 screaming at me constantly, and I just can't take it. So I
- 2 | would try to say, Would you like to go to another building?
- 3 And sometimes that would work. I would put them in another
- 4 building and it was not so chaos, and it was a better fit for
- 5 them.
- 6 Q Did you see a lot of your job as being morale?
- 7 A Morale, and it really helped when I was out there, not
- 8 just in my office, but just out there helping the nurses any
- 9 way I could.
- 10 Q In addition to switching nurses in cases of personality
- 11 disputes, did you also move nurses around in other ways?
- 12 A I did. Once I started getting an idea of my job and
- 13 started to get to know my nurses, I started to see that some
- 14 nurses would do better in intake or discharge than sitting
- 15 behind a desk doing something else. Sometimes I had stronger
- 16 nurses. So I would put them in building three or building six
- 17 where it was a difficult building.
- 18 Q Did you end up, as part your role as director of nursing,
- 19 communicating with Dr. Scharff?
- 20 A All the time.
- 21 Q About what sorts of things?
- 22 A He would want to know -- he would ask me to go get charts
- 23 for him. So we would go get charts. He really was interested
- 24 in the infirmary. And I was in the infirmary all the time.
- 25 So he would ask me about certain inmates and if they were

- 1 taking their pills on time or if they were -- you know, that
- 2 kind of thing if they were not doing the regimen that we asked
- 3 them to do.
- 4 Q Over the summer of 2017, what happened to nursing
- 5 staffing?
- 6 A Our vice president had resigned. My HSA resigned right
- 7 before her. I had two supervisors that got their bachelor's
- 8 degree and wanted to go into hospitals and do more nursing
- 9 than just prison. And so that took a huge blow.
- I tried to keep it together, but I realized that I
- 11 needed to go to nights to keep night shift going. So in
- 12 August of 2017, I went to night shift and took over nighttime.
- 13 And I did that all the way up until I left.
- 14 Q So did that have any impact on efforts you had been
- 15 making to improve things for nursing at Fluvanna?
- 16 A I think so. Because nobody during the day ever saw me,
- 17 and it just seemed like there was no management there to help
- 18 them. We did bring in some other people, but they didn't stay
- 19 long.
- 20 Q Okay. So there were continuous efforts to bring in more
- 21 management so you could go back to your --
- 22 A All the time.
- 23 Q But they were unsuccessful?
- 24 A Correct.
- 25 Q We've heard some talk about a nursing crisis by

- 1 Dr. Scharff. Was that the nursing crisis that you're -- your
- 2 understanding of what he was referring to as a nursing crisis?
- $3 \mid A$ He sat down with me one-on-one and told me that I would
- 4 burn out, that I couldn't continue what I was doing, which was
- 5 80, 90 hours a week.
- 6 Q Did you ever talk to Dr. Scharff about CQI?
- 7 A He is actually the one that said he didn't like how
- 8 Ms. Whitehead was doing that. He felt like we were behind.
- 9 He wanted CQI to where we were ahead, we could see things in
- 10 the forecast. And the way DOC had it, we were looking at
- 11 things afterwards. So he said that we needed to start a
- 12 committee, which we did. And then we also -- DOC had hired a
- 13 full-time CQI quy.
- 14 Q And when did that happen?
- 15 A Summer, summer of 2017.
- 16 Q During the nursing crisis, did you ever have any
- 17 discussions about expanding the agencies from whom DOC was
- 18 seeking nursing support?
- 19 A Yes, and we did. We only had three agencies, and by the
- 20 time we -- when I left, we were up to, like, eight or nine.
- 21 Q And this would give you other opportunities to recruit
- 22 nurses to help out?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q By the time you left, were you still working nights?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q So there hadn't been -- they hadn't been able to find
- 2 management staff to get you back to your director of nursing
- 3 activities?
- 4 A That's correct.
- 5 Q What was your reason for leaving Fluvanna?
- 6 A It was more of a family issue. It was putting a lot of
- 7 toll on my family, working 80, 90 hours a week and always on
- 8 nights. I have two small kids, and so it took a toll on them.
- 9 And when they started saying, Mom, we never see you, their
- 10 grades started going down, I needed to find something else.
- 11 Q Where are you working now?
- 12 A I'm working at Martha Jefferson Hospital as a cath lab
- 13 nurse.
- 14 MS. GRIGGS: Court's indulgence, Your Honor.
- That's all the questions I have at this time,
- 16 Ms. Seabert. They may have some questions for you.
- 17 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MS. ELLIS:
- 19 Q Good morning, Ms. Seabert. It's nice to see you again.
- 20 A Good morning.
- 21 Q I only have a few questions for you today. You have
- 22 described your very intense work schedule during the last six
- 23 months of your time at Fluvanna.
- 24 A It was actually the whole time I was there. I would
- 25 stay, come in at midnight, 2:00 in the morning, whatever it

- 1 took.
- 2 Q So you covered a lot of shifts for nurses that didn't
- 3 show up. Correct?
- 4 A Not show up; more like call-ins.
- 5 Q Call in to say that they weren't going to come to work
- 6 that day?
- 7 A That's correct.
- 8 Q Okay. And I believe you worked numerous 16-hour shifts
- 9 while you were at Fluvanna?
- 10 A It could go up to that. I would work nine hours, go
- 11 home, eat dinner, get a shower, and come back in.
- 12 O And there were other nurses that worked similar shifts at
- 13 times?
- 14 A I had a lot of my nursing staff that were just right
- 15 along with me. Once they seen that I was doing that, they
- 16 picked up and started doing it, too.
- 17 Q You talked about your recommendation that Fluvanna look
- 18 beyond the three nurse agencies. And I believe you said you
- 19 made that recommendation back in August 2017?
- 20 A I can't remember the exact time, but I do know that we
- 21 were constantly looking for other agencies.
- 22 Q And you said that Fluvanna did end up going to additional
- 23 agencies. But that didn't happen until early 2018. Correct?
- 24 A With all the management changes, that did set us back.
- 25 Q And you talked about your recommendation that -- for

- 1 reorganizing how the nurses were moving them from the
- 2 buildings back to building two. And I believe you said you
- 3 recommended that in August 2016. Correct?
- 4 A It was about that time.
- 5 Q And that change did happen, but like with the other one,
- 6 it took a while. Right?
- 7 A Correct.
- 8 Q In fact, that relocation did not happen until early 2018?
- 9 A Actually, until we got the state ladies in there, and
- 10 they thought it was a fabulous idea.
- 11 Q And that happened around January or February of 2018?
- 12 A Correct.
- 13 Q During the time that you were working night shifts from
- 14 around August 2017 to February 2018, your duties really
- 15 changed from being able to supervise the nurses and have that
- 16 managerial role to more of the role of, like, a line nurse.
- 17 Correct?
- 18 A No, I actually did both. I was still doing emails. I
- 19 was still trying to make meetings in the morning. I was still
- 20 doing the staff meetings every month. I was still trying to
- 21 make sure that everybody got their CPR every month and never
- 22 had expired.
- I also kept in contact with the lady that did all the
- 24 drugs, drug testing. And I got emails weekly of people with
- 25 Suboxone overdoses or Suboxone in their urine. So I would

- 1 have to go through their charts and look at all their
- 2 medications and make sure that wasn't a false positive.
- 3 Q And I -- let's see. I'm pulling it in here, but this is
- 4 not showing up.
- I apologize. During the time that you were working
- 6 nights, you weren't present at the facility during the day.
- 7 Correct?
- 8 A Correct.
- 9 Q And so you stopped participating in interviewing
- 10 candidates for nursing positions at Fluvanna?
- 11 A I did. I turned that over to the lady that was working
- 12 during the day.
- 13 Q And before you went to the night shift, you interacted
- 14 with the warden almost daily. Correct?
- 15 A In passing, saying hi, seeing him at lunch. But he would
- 16 only have meetings with us weekly.
- 17 Q And after you went to nights, that fairly regular contact
- 18 dropped off?
- 19 A I was still making sure I said good morning to him as I
- 20 | left work. But yes, those meetings with him did -- I turned
- 21 that over to another nurse -- well, another manager.
- 22 Q I'm sorry. The Court's indulgence for just a moment.
- Ms. Seabert, do you recall coming to Legal Aid? I
- 24 believe you actually had to come twice to conduct your
- 25 deposition in this case?

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        Correct.
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        And do you remember describing the difference between
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   your duties when you were on day shift and you were on night
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   shift and saying, "While I was on day shift, I was just a
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   manager or the director. I wasn't in patient care; I was
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   actually their boss. But when I went nights, I was actually
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   just -- I was the nurse"?
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        That's the way I felt when I talked to you, because I
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   felt like I had lost a lot of my -- what I was hired for.
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            But now that I look back on it, I was actually doing
   supervisor manager work at night also as being a health care
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   provider for the inmates.
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            MS. ELLIS: Thank you very much, Ms. Seabert.
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            MS. GRIGGS: We have no redirect, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: All right. Thank you. Appreciate it.
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            We will take about a ten-minute recess.
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            THE MARSHAL: All rise.
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         (Recess taken from 10:11 a.m. until 10:20 a.m.)
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            THE COURT: All right. Call your next witness.
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            MR. SCHNETZLER: Your Honor, the defendants call
   Scott Dodrill.
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            MS. BAUER: Your Honor, Mary Bauer for the
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   plaintiffs. The plaintiffs just merely want to restate that
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   we had filed a motion to exclude this witness, and we won't
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   reargue that here, but we wanted to just establish that we
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1 have an ongoing objection to that.

DAVID SCOTT DODRILL, DEFENDANT'S WITNESS, SWORN

DIRECT EXAMINATION

- 4 BY MR. SCHNETZLER:
- 5 Q Good morning.
- 6 A Good morning.
- 7 Q Mr. Dodrill, would you please state your name for the
- 8 record.

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- 9 A David Scott Dodrill, D-O-D-R-I-L-L.
- 10 Q And Mr. Dodrill, how are you currently employed?
- 11 A I'm self-employed. I retired from my old job at the end
- 12 of 2010.
- 13 Q And in your self-employment, what do you do?
- 14 A I run a consulting business. I do -- I have contracts
- 15 with different agencies or companies to provide services as
- 16 far as prison management or auditing purposes for different
- 17 facilities.
- 18 Q And, Mr. Dodrill, how did you first get involved in the
- 19 field of corrections?
- 20 A I have been in and out of prison since I was three years
- 21 old.
- 22 Q What do you mean by that?
- 23 A When I was three years old, my father was named deputy
- 24 warden at the maximum security prison in Moundsville, West
- 25 | Virginia. And his apartment, the apartment for the deputy,

1 was the third and fourth floor of the administration building. 2 So my bedroom literally looked out on the main yard. I could 3 see the basketball court, the little bandstand, the laundry; even the execution chamber, even though I didn't know that's 4 5 what it was at the time. 6 And did you have interactions with the offenders during 7 that time? Inmates cooked for me, baby-sat me, taught me how to play 8 9 baseball. 10 MR. SCHNETZLER: May I approach the witness, Your 11 Honor? BY MR. SCHNETZLER: 12 13 Mr. Dodrill, I have just handed you a document that I would like to mark for identification purposes as Defendant's 14 15 Exhibit 34. 16 Mr. Dodrill, can you tell me what that document is? 17 That's my CV. Α 18 Okay. And is that current up to today? Q 19 Α Yes. 20 MR. SCHNETZLER: Your Honor, we would like to move Mr. Dodrill's CV into evidence. 21 22 MS. BAUER: No objection, Your Honor. THE COURT: It will be admitted. 23 24 (Defendant Exhibit Number 34 was marked and received.)

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BY MR. SCHNETZLER:

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        Mr. Dodrill, I would like to briefly go through your
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   experience leading up to your current self-employment.
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             What was your first position in the field of
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   corrections?
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        I joined the Federal Bureau of Prisons in January of 1978
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   at the federal correctional institution in Memphis, Tennessee,
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   as a corrections officer.
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        And did you eventually move up the ranks in the Bureau of
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   Prisons?
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               I moved 13 different times when I was with the
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   federal prison system and each time getting more
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   responsibility in my positions.
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        Mr. Dodrill, after you served as a correctional officer,
   what other management positions did you hold within the
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   Federal Bureau of Prisons?
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        I went up into correctional services to the lieutenant,
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   captain, which is chief of security. And then I went to a
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   regional office as the correctional services administrator for
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   that region in Atlanta, which means I had the training and
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   oversight for the -- or guidance to the correctional services
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   department of the 15 institutions that were in that region.
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             Then I became AW at a couple of institutions, and I
   became warden at two facilities, and I became regional
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   director in the northeast region in Philadelphia.
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   18 institutions in that region. And then I was named
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1 assistant director of the correctional programs division in 2 Washington, DC, and that's where I retired from. 3 And I want to step back to your time serving as a warden. Could you tell the Court the first facility you served as a 4 5 warden? 6 It was at a LSCI, Butner, North Carolina. It's a low 7 security correctional institution in Butner, North Carolina. 8 Butner is a complex. There is a hospital there. 9 There's two medium security institutions and a low. At the 10 time I was there, the medium wasn't there, but there is a 11 medium now. The low and the medium served as 12 step-up/step-down facilities for the hospital. As offenders 13 were getting ready to go in for some type of procedure, they 14 would come to our institutions, depending on their security 15 level, and when they got done they would come down and 16 recuperate in our facilities. 17 You've mentioned a hospital. What kind of interactions 18 did you have with staff in the hospital at Butner? 19 Well, it was daily. The three wardens, we met. Α 20 in constant contact with each other, and our staffs were going 21 back and forth. In fact, we shared associate wardens. 22 they had responsibility for medical, they had responsibility for medical in all three facilities. And if they had 23 24 responsibility for education, for example, they had 25

responsibility at all three facilities. So all the staff was

- 1 kind of wandering back and forth at all times.
- 2 Q And about how many offenders were housed at the low
- 3 security facility at Butner when you were there?
- 4 A 1,000.
- 5 Q After you were warden at Butner, which facility did you
- 6 move to?
- 7 A To the United States penitentiary in Lewisburg,
- 8 Pennsylvania.
- 9 Q Could you just briefly explain to the Court what the --
- 10 sort of the number of offenders at the facility at Lewisburg
- 11 are?
- 12 A Lewisburg was maximum security. We had 2,000 offenders
- 13 there. Some of those were out in the outside camp, but the
- 14 majority were inside.
- 15 Q Were there any type of medical facilities at Lewisburg?
- 16 A We had the basic infirmary that every other institution
- 17 would have.
- 18 Q And how does the Bureau of Prisons deliver medical care
- 19 inside the facilities? Do they use outside contractors?
- 20 A No. The Bureau of Prisons has their own medical at all
- 21 the facilities. There is no contract medical.
- 22 Q They are federal employees?
- 23 A Federal employees, full-time employees. Now, they do
- 24 contract out specialties at the different institutions, but
- 25 most of the time they have full-time staff at their

facilities.

- Q After you served as a warden at Lewisburg, I believe you mentioned that you became a regional director. Could you sort of describe for the Court what your main roles were as a regional director for the northeast region for the Bureau of Prisons?
- A In Philadelphia -- that's the northeast region -- I was responsible for ten states. That's Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, and everything north. In those states, there's 19 federal institutions ranging from penitentiaries down to low security.
- We had one major hospital. That was in Fort Devens,
 Massachusetts. We had one full female institution that was in
 Danbury, Connecticut. We had three metropolitan detention
 centers, and they would have females in those as well. Those
 were offenders waiting for trial or just going back for
 sentencing.
- In the region, there was 19 institutions. I was responsible for 6,200 employees; about 35,000, 36,000 inmates.
- 20 I had a budget of \$850 million a year.
- 21 Q And what were your primary duties as a regional director?
- 22 A I supervised the wardens. We also had a regional office
- 23 in Philadelphia; 100 employees there. We also had halfway
- 24 houses throughout the -- throughout those ten states in
- 25 different areas.

- Q Did you also conduct any inspections or audits of the facilities under your supervision?
- A I wouldn't do audits. I would -- I would tour each
 facility at least annually, going through and meeting staff
 and observing the institutions.

Every three years, we did what we called an institution character profile, and that's where I took about ten staff from the region and we went down in there in the institution and did the deep dive into all aspects of it. As long as it was good, it was every three years; if it was not good, we would come back sooner.

Audits were done out of the central office, and they
were on a different time frame, from one to three years,
depending on how the audits were.

- Q You mentioned a deep dive into the facility. What did you mean by that?
 - A Institution character profile. We interviewed offenders while we were in the facility. We interviewed staff. We went into each area of the facility and looked down to see exactly how it was operating. You know, if they it wasn't the basic audit steps. We were going down at the basic level and seeing how the operations were, checking on the attitude of
- the facility, interaction between staff and offenders, all aspects of it.
 - In fact, we even went into the community and talked

- 1 to the community leaders about the relationship that they had 2 with the facility.
- Q And I believe you mentioned that some facilities you
 would only need to visit once every three years, but would you
- 5 have to visit others multiple times?
- 6 A No. We would go to every facility at least once every
- 7 three years with this deep dive. I was in every facility
- 8 annually, at least annually. Some of them, unfortunately,
- 9 were closer to me. I had a detention center three blocks down
- 10 the street. So they were unfortunate enough to see me more
- 11 often than some of the others.
- 12 Q All right. Thank you. And after you served as a
- 13 regional director, you stated you became the assistant
- 14 director of correctional programs. What were the
- 15 responsibilities in that position?
- 16 A That was the -- at the time, that was basically the
- 17 number two position in the agency, because it's the one that
- 18 | had most of the bulk of what occurs in the institution. All
- 19 the security in all the 116 institutions at the time I left
- 20 fell under me. Programs, substance abuse, mental health,
- 21 psychology, counterterrorism, gangs, all that fell -- reentry,
- 22 all that fell under the correctional programs division. So I
- 23 had a large impact on the institutions.
- In my position, we wrote policies for those areas.
- 25 We also developed training and saw that that training was

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1 conducted. Things of those natures -- things of that nature. 2 And were you still going into facilities at that time? 3 Yes, but I didn't have any real responsibilities for any facility except for the administrative max out in Colorado, 4 5 which is the supermax for Bureau of Prisons. I had to go out there quarterly to have hearings on offenders that were in 6 7 there to see if they could be cut loose or we were going to 8 keep them in there longer. 9 And I believe you said you were the number two position. Does that mean you were directly under the director of the 10 11 Bureau of Prisons? I was directly under the director. It was basically 12 13 number two. We had several assistant directors, but that one 14 was always considered more important and was designated as the 15 number two position. Now they have a deputy director. 16 that position is number two. 17 And in your role of -- in your current role as a 18 consultant, what types of consulting -- in terms of working 19 with facilities, how will you go about doing your consulting? 20 I have a small contract with a management and training 21 corporation which runs some private prisons. I do some work 22 for them; regularly, actually, I do some work for them. They 23 have 24 or 25 private prisons they operate in right now. So I 24 do audits for them or different things that they would like to

have looked at. I go into those different facilities.

- 1 have some federal contracts. They have some immigration
- 2 contracts. They have contracts with Mississippi, Ohio, Idaho,
- 3 Arizona, Texas, off the top of my head, Florida.
- 4 Q And you've also worked in some state-run facilities as
- 5 | well?
- 6 A Those are all state. The states I mentioned were
- 7 state-run facilities that had been contracted out for
- 8 management by MTC. The federal contracts are with the Bureau
- 9 of Prisons, Marshals and ICE.
- 10 Q And are you still going into those facilities in your
- 11 role as a consultant?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q About how many facilities do you think you have been
- 14 inside in your entire career in the field of corrections?
- 15 A I have been in hundreds of facilities, not only in this
- 16 country but in other countries.
- 17 MR. SCHNETZLER: Your Honor, at this time I would
- 18 like to offer Mr. Dodrill as an expert in the field of
- 19 corrections operations and administration.
- 20 MS. BAUER: Your Honor, as we have argued, we don't
- 21 doubt that Mr. Dodrill has expertise, but we do contest that
- 22 any of the opinions that he has listed in his report are
- 23 appropriate as an expert.
- 24 THE COURT: All right.
- 25 BY MR. SCHNETZLER:

- 1 Q Mr. Dodrill, you have given some opinions in this case
- 2 regarding the operations and administration of Fluvanna
- 3 | Correctional Center for Women; is that correct?
- 4 A That's correct.
- 5 Q What did you base your opinions on? What did you do to
- 6 arrive at those opinions?
- 7 A I toured the facility in March. I think it was the 26th
- 8 and 27th. I looked at their policies that I was asked to look
- 9 at. And I reviewed the settlement agreement.
- 10 Q Did you have any meetings with staff while you were
- 11 visiting the facility in March of this year?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Who all do you remember meeting with during your visit to
- 14 the facility?
- 15 A I remember I met with the warden. I met with
- 16 Mr. Wilkinson, who was the CQI at the time. A couple people
- 17 in the hospital or infirmary. There were other people I can't
- 18 remember at this time. There was a bunch of attorneys.
- 19 Q Did you meet with anybody in charge of scheduling or
- 20 transporting offenders to off-site medical treatment?
- 21 A Ms. Shiflett, who was in the medical department. April
- 22 | Shiflett, I believe. I did have a meeting with her.
- 23 Q And did you meet with any correctional staff that were
- 24 involved in transportation for off-site medical visits?
- 25 A I met with Lieutenant Burrows.

- $1 \mid Q$ In addition to the settlement agreement and the
- 2 Department of Corrections policies and procedures that you
- 3 mentioned you reviewed, did you review any other documents in
- 4 coming to your opinions in this case?
- 5 A There are some logs I looked at from different areas,
- 6 transportation logs, as well as some grievance logs.
- 7 Q Did you also review the reports of the compliance monitor
- 8 in this case?
- 9 A I did.
- 10 Q And did you review the reports of the experts that were
- 11 retained by the plaintiffs in this case?
- 12 A Not all of them. I read Dr. Scharff and -- the name
- 13 escapes me. It starts with a G.
- 14 Q Dr. Greifinger?
- 15 A Dr. Greifinger. I read his reports.
- 16 Q All right. Thank you. And in coming to your opinions in
- 17 this case, did you base those on your 40 years of experience
- 18 serving in the -- for the Bureau of Prisons?
- 19 A I served with the Bureau of Prisons for 33. But I have
- 20 been doing correctional stuff since then. So that's, yeah, 40
- 21 years.
- 22 Q Thank you for correcting me. I apologize.
- 23 And in arriving at those opinions, could you explain
- 24 to the Court how that experience in the field of corrections
- 25 helps you arrive at an opinion of the operations of a

- 1 correctional facility?
- 2 A Would you say that again, please?
- 3 Q Sure. When you are arriving at your opinions based on
- 4 your experience in the field of corrections, is that based on
- 5 your interactions with offenders over the last 40 years?
- 6 A Yes. Interaction with offenders; interaction with staff;
- 7 going into various kinds of facilities at all times of the
- 8 day.
- 9 Q Is that also based on your role as a supervisor in
- 10 dealing with facilities that have run into issues in terms of
- 11 their operations?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Would you -- are you familiar with a federal correctional
- 14 facility in Talladega, Alabama?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Was that a facility that experienced some issues while
- 17 you were a supervisor with the Bureau of Prisons?
- 18 A Yes. Talladega opened in the early '80s, about, and had
- 19 problems from the get-go of not having the right combination
- 20 of staff, not trending well. All their audits were not good.
- 21 They were poor. They had two inmates escape through their
- 22 rear gate, and escapes from federal custody is rare. They had
- 23 an inmate starve to death in restrictive housing, an inmate
- 24 that died on one of their buses because of misconduct by their
- 25 staff.

It's just -- everything was always happening at Talladega. This was going on for several years even though the Bureau of Prisons was trying to send in new supervisors, new administration, trying to get it right to where it would straighten itself out. But that takes years, and through this time, staff didn't want to go in there. You didn't want to be promoted in there. You didn't want to lateral in there. You didn't want to go in there and work, because it had a cloud over its head. People thought it would be bad for their career to go in there.

So it takes -- you have got to get good administration in there who can convince some midline supervisors and department heads that are good ones to go in there, and then they start training the staff right.

If you just throw staff and money at a problem, if it's going bad now, all those bad staff are just going to train other staff on how to do bad things. So you've got to start at the top and work your way down and get it right. And it took until the mid-'90s before they were able to get that right.

The institution finally turned around and all their audits were going well. Their character profiles were fine. They haven't had any issues, as far as I know, since then, since that time. But it takes a long time to do that. You've got to convince staff to get on board with the program of

- 1 doing things the right way.
- 2 Q And do you recall when about that time frame was when you
- 3 were dealing with those issues?
- 4 A It was -- it opened in the early '80s. I don't know
- 5 when. And I was in the regional office from '90 to '94.
- 6 Q And were you dealing with those issues throughout your
- 7 time in the regional office?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q And what was it that eventually turned Talladega around
- 10 while you were in the regional office?
- 11 A I think it was just getting the right staff. They got a
- 12 good warden in there, and they got my old boss to go in there
- 13 as associate warden. He had a lot of credibility with staff
- 14 in the field, and he was able to convince some midline
- 15 | supervisors to go in. And then they started training the
- 16 staff to do things the proper way.
- 17 Q There has been a lot of testimony so far in this case
- 18 about the -- changing the culture within a facility. And I
- 19 believe you have used an analogy about changing the culture.
- 20 What's that analogy?
- 21 A It's like driving a cruise ship. I don't care how hard
- 22 and fast you turn that steering wheel, it takes a while before
- 23 that boat -- before it starts making the move in the right
- 24 direction. And that is like doing an institution.
- 25 Management isn't -- there is no all-encompassing,

perfect way of managing anything. If there was, there wouldn't be all these books out there. Every time you go to the bookstore, there's a book on how to be a better manager or more effective manager or more cost-effective manager.

It's a -- you make a decision, and that decision isn't always right. And you have got to make changes from that decision. And eventually, you get it going in the right direction to where you want it.

- Q In that cruise ship analogy, does the ship ever go off-course while it's trying to turn?
- A The ship is already off-course, and you are trying to get it back on the right direction. It doesn't -- when you turn, it doesn't go straight back that way. It slowly makes a turn, as long as you keep turning the steering wheel. If you let off that steering wheel, it's liable to go back the wrong way again.
- Q Looking back again -- I know we have talked about your experience with Talladega and turning that facility around.
- 19 When there are issues at a facility, do things tend to -- when
- 20 things start going bad, does it -- do they go bad quicker than
- 21 it takes to course-correct, so to speak?
- A I think it gets out of line slowly. And that's a big responsibility of doing audits and getting in the institution
- 24 and reviewing it, because when things are going smoothly, it's
- 25 like this. They're going by policy and everything is going

along fine.

But then when they start deviating from doing things the right way, they start getting off-line, and if you let them get too far off-line, it takes a long time to get them back to where they are supposed to be.

If it goes along like this and they start getting off and you're doing your audits and your proper stuff and you're monitoring the institution, you just knock them back down to where they are supposed to be. It's like playing whack-a-mole. When they get off-line, you knock them back down and do it in a line. If they get off again, you knock them back down. You get them to do it the right way at the right time.

Q And I believe you have mentioned getting the right people in the right place. Would you talk about your experiences in hiring in the field of corrections?

THE COURT: Look, we're almost 30 minutes into this witness, and if he has opinions about this case, I'd like to get to them.

MR. SCHNETZLER: Your Honor, they've continued their objection on the basis of the 703 issue, Rule 703, that whether or not it's proper experiential expert testimony. I'm just trying to lay the foundation for that.

MS. BAUER: Your Honor, that is not accurate. We accept that Mr. Dodrill has expertise. We contend that none

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   of the opinions in his report are true opinions that an expert
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   can render.
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            MR. SCHNETZLER: I misunderstood their objection,
   Your Honor.
                Excuse me. I will move it along.
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   BY MR. SCHNETZLER:
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        Mr. Dodrill, you have offered an opinion. Could you
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   please talk about the interplay between security and other
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   components of running a facility?
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        All components in a facility have to work together.
   are all intermeshed. You know, there's still -- just like a
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   small city, a prison is just like a small city. It has the
   same problems as a small city. It has the same things going
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        It has a church. It has a store. It has education.
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   has a hospital. All that goes on. But because it's a prison,
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   you have to have the -- the security aspect is always there.
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   Security is always involved in everything.
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        Mr. Dodrill, with respect to that, how does security
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   interplay with the medical at Fluvanna Correctional Center?
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        The same way it does at every other correctional
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   facility, in that you have staff in the medical, in the
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   infirmary, checking people in and out. It was mentioned
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   earlier that somebody is going to have to check to make sure
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   they are taking their medication, and they're not --
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                       Excuse me. This is not the first day of
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   this trial.
                I mean, this case goes way back.
                                                   A lot of this
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- 1 stuff, I mean, is not unknown. I mean, I have toured prisons,
- 2 too, but -- I have some familiarities. But the question right
- 3 here -- we are looking at this prison, and in the time -- in a
- 4 certain time frame. And that's --
- 5 MR. SCHNETZLER: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Right to it,
- 6 then.
- 7 BY MR. SCHNETZLER:
- 8 Q Mr. Dodrill, are you familiar with the practice of a
- 9 centralized pill pass at Fluvanna Correctional Center for
- 10 Women?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q In your opinion, is that an appropriate way to pass
- 13 medication in a correctional facility?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Why is that appropriate?
- 16 A It keeps the medication in one location for
- 17 accountability and for consistency and documenting what's been
- 18 taken and what's not.
- 19 Q And Mr. Dodrill, is a centralized pill pass a process
- 20 used by the Federal Bureau of Prisons?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q Okay. Thank you. Mr. Dodrill, are you aware of how
- 23 medications are administered to inmates that are in segregated
- 24 housing at Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q How is that done, typically?
- 2 A They take the medication from centralized pill line over
- 3 to restrictive housing and dispense it there.
- 4 Q Mr. Dodrill, do you have an opinion as to whether it is
- 5 proper to administer medication through the food port to an
- 6 inmate in segregated housing?
- 7 A It's not the optimal way do it, but it is acceptable.
- 8 Q Why is it acceptable?
- 9 A You only have so many staff. You start opening every
- 10 door, you have to restrain every inmate and open every door,
- 11 that staff member is there with you. And he is not getting
- 12 his recreation done. He's not getting his showers done. He's
- 13 not getting hearings done. He's not getting the place cleaned
- 14 up.
- So if you had plenty of staff where you could escort
- 16 every inmate to a triage area and dispense the medication,
- 17 that would be great, but that doesn't happen in any facility I
- 18 know. It's always done through the pills -- the food slot.
- 19 Q Do you hold that same opinion with respect to diabetic
- 20 sticks through a food port?
- 21 A Again, that's not the optimum way to do it, but yes.
- 22 Q Is that a practice that is used by the Federal Bureau of
- 23 Prisons?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Mr. Dodrill, are you familiar with the grievance

- 1 procedure at Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women with
- 2 respect to rejected medical grievances?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q What is your opinion with respect to that procedure?
- 5 A I think they have gone the extra mile when they are
- 6 responding to rejected grievances. I have never seen
- 7 anybody -- once an administrative remedy is rejected, it's
- 8 gone. I have never seen anybody go back and pull them out and
- 9 still address them.
- 10 Q So it is your testimony you're not aware of any other
- 11 facility in the country that is using that type of grievance
- 12 procedure?
- 13 A I have never seen it.
- 14 Q Would you characterize that as cutting-edge with respect
- 15 to grievance procedures and policies?
- 16 A It's going the extra mile.
- MR. SCHNETZLER: Thank you, Your Honor. No further
- 18 questions.
- 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MS. BAUER:
- 21 Q Nice to see you again, Mr. Dodrill.
- 22 A You too.
- 23 Q I want to go through briefly the basis for each of the
- 24 objections -- each of the opinions that you rendered in your
- 25 report.

- 1 You had an opinion with regard to whether corrections
- 2 and security were interdependent. On what did you rely to
- 3 render that opinion?
- 4 A My experience of being in and out of institutions for 40
- 5 years.
- 6 Q You didn't rely on any documents to render that opinion,
- 7 did you?
- 8 A No.
- 9 Q And when asked what degree of certainty your opinion is
- 10 based upon, you indicated simply that you were adamant; is
- 11 that correct?
- 12 A Yes, I did.
- 13 Q Okay. You also -- I'll skip that. Excuse me.
- 14 You spoke about the pill line and the food port. You
- 15 have no medical training, do you, Mr. Dodrill?
- 16 A I do not.
- 17 Q And you are not rendering any opinion as to whether those
- 18 processes at Fluvanna are medically appropriate, are you?
- 19 A I am not.
- 20 Q In rendering the opinions that you wrote in your report,
- 21 you based this on a review of documents and conversations with
- 22 a handful of staff. Correct?
- 23 A Correct.
- 24 Q You did not speak with medical staff. Correct?
- 25 A Ms. Shiflett was in medical. I talked to her. There was

- 1 one other person. I don't remember what her name was. No
- 2 extensive conversation.
- 3 Q And you did not rely on any conversations with
- 4 incarcerated women. Correct?
- 5 A That's correct.
- 6 Q Okay. You looked at the grievance system, as I
- 7 understand it, by reviewing some summary records of the
- 8 grievance system. Correct?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And you looked at six to eight individual grievances.
- 11 | Correct?
- 12 A Recent grievances. Correct.
- 13 Q Is the number correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And that is despite the fact that you knew that there are
- 16 thousands of grievances filed at Fluvanna in any given year.
- 17 Correct?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And you said you reviewed about half regular and half
- 20 emergency grievances. Correct? That would have been about
- 21 three to four each; is that correct?
- 22 A That's correct.
- 23 Q And you did not review any informal complaints. Correct?
- 24 A That's correct.
- 25 Q And you know that filing an informal complaint is a

- 1 prerequisite to filing a grievance. Correct?
- 2 A That's correct.
- 3 Q And you knew that Dr. Scharff had written about a
- 4 practice of people being pressured to withdraw informal
- 5 grievances. Correct?
- 6 A I knew there was an allegation.
- 7 Q And you did not investigate that in any way. Correct?
- 8 A I talked to the warden about it.
- 9 Q And the warden told you that he was looking into it.
- 10 Correct?
- 11 A The warden said he had heard the same allegation and he
- 12 was looking into it.
- 13 Q And based on the warden's representation, you did no
- 14 further investigation. Correct?
- 15 A That's correct.
- 16 Q When I showed you several individual grievance responses
- 17 in the deposition, you found many of the responses
- 18 inappropriate; isn't that correct?
- 19 A Lacking, yes.
- 20 MR. SCHNETZLER: Objection, Your Honor. This is
- 21 getting beyond the scope of direct. We didn't ask him about
- 22 the responses. We asked him about the procedure in general.
- THE COURT: Overruled.
- 24 BY MS. BAUER:
- 25 Q And you were fully aware that in report after report,

- 1 Dr. Scharff had indicated that there were significant problems
- 2 over time with the grievance system at Fluvanna. Correct?
- 3 A He said it was improving. At the last, the March report
- 4 I saw, he said there was good improvement in that area.
- 5 Q I don't believe you answered my question, Mr. Dodrill.
- 6 Were you aware that Dr. Scharff had repeatedly stated that
- 7 there had been problems with the grievance system?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q And yet you continue to this day to believe that
- 10 reviewing six to eight grievances is a thorough investigation
- 11 of that system?
- 12 A It is an investigation, yes.
- 13 Q Thank you.
- MS. BAUER: May I have a moment, Your Honor?
- 15 BY MS. BAUER:
- 16 Q Dr. Dodrill, there was a --
- 17 A I'm not a doctor.
- 18 Q Excuse me. I am aware of that. I'm sorry.
- 19 Mr. Dodrill, in your report and in your deposition
- 20 you stated that you believe all offenders are dangerous; is
- 21 that correct?
- 22 A All offenders need to be treated as being dangerous.
- 23 Q You didn't say that, did you, Mr. Dodrill? You did not
- 24 say they are potentially dangerous. You didn't say they had
- 25 the capacity to be dangerous. You said that all offenders are

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dangerous; isn't that correct? 1 2 That's correct. 3 And you said that was true even if women were bedridden; 4 isn't that correct? 5 That's correct. 6 And that is true even if they're in a wheelchair and 7 unable to walk? 8 That's correct. Α 9 And that is true even if they have multiple sclerosis and cannot move; is that correct? 10 11 That's correct. Α Is it true if a woman has already been pronounced dead? 12 13 Α No. 14 MS. BAUER: I have no other questions, Your Honor. 15 THE COURT: Thank you. Any redirect? 16 MR. SCHNETZLER: I have redirect, Your Honor. 17 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 18 BY MR. SCHNETZLER: 19 Mr. Dodrill, you were asked just a few moments ago about 20 your opinion as to the interconnectedness of security in all 21 the components of a correctional facility? 2.2. Α Yes. And you said that was based on your experience? 23 24 Yes. Α

And when counsel asked you if that was based on any

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1 documents, in your experience have you interviewed hundreds of 2 policies and procedures dealing with operations in 3 correctional facilities? Yes. 4 Α 5 So is that part of your experience in coming to your 6 conclusion that security is interconnected with all components 7 of a correctional facility? 8 Yes. Α 9 All right. And you were just asked a few moments ago, 10 are all offenders dangerous. Why are offenders dangerous? 11 They have been convicted of a crime. So they have that Α 12 on their resume, so to speak. And the purpose of prisons is 13 to protect the community. So you have to treat them as if 14 they are dangerous to the community. 15 Q Does that also apply to other offenders? 16 Α Yes. 17 Q And to facility staff? 18 Α Yes. 19 MR. SCHNETZLER: Thank you. No further questions. 20 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. Is that all? 21 MS. BAUER: No. 22 THE COURT: All right. Next witness. 23 MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, the defense calls 24 Dr. Alfred Joshua.

Judge, just a brief housekeeping matter.

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MS. ABATO:

1 I just wanted to let the Court know that Director Clarke and 2 Chief of Operations Robinson are here in the courtroom today. 3 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. DR. ALFRED JOSHUA, DEFENDANT'S WITNESS, SWORN 4 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION 6 BY MR. McNELIS: 7 Dr. Joshua, can you please state your full name and 8 professional address for the record? 9 Sure. My name is Dr. Alfred Alexander Joshua -- last name is J-O-S-H-U-A -- and I live in San Diego, California. 10 11 Dr. Joshua, what kind of a doctor are you? Q 12 Α I'm a board certified emergency room physician. 13 If you could, just briefly tell the Court about your 14 education and training as an emergency room physician. 15 Α Yes. So I'm a board certified emergency room physician. 16 Did four years of residency at University of California 17 San Diego. I went to a seven-year med program, graduated AOA, or Alpha Omega Alpha, top 10 percent of my medical school at 18 19 SUNY Syracuse. 20 I also have a two-year hospital administrative 21 fellowship at UC San Diego. I have an MBA from the UC Irvine, and I'm also certified as a Certified Correctional Health 2.2 Professional from the National Commission on Correctional 23 24 Health Care. And I also have the Physicians specialty designation -- one of only 70 physicians in the country with 25

- 1 that designation -- from National Commission on Correctional
- 2 Health Care.
- 3 Q And Dr. Joshua, just to back up, you mentioned you did a
- 4 fellowship in hospital administration. Can you tell the Court
- 5 what means?
- 6 A So a hospital administrative fellowship is similar to
- 7 other fellowships for medical specialties on the
- 8 administrative side. The hospitals at many hospitals like
- 9 UCLA, Harvard, Cleveland Clinic, offer a hospital
- 10 administrative fellowship. UC San Diego offered it for MBA
- 11 and MPH graduates.
- So you work with the executive team. You learn the
- 13 regulatory environment, the financials, the clinical
- 14 operations, as well as the clinical environment.
- 15 Q Dr. Joshua, what is your current position, sir?
- 16 A So I'm currently the chief medical officer for the
- 17 | San Diego County Sheriff's Department.
- 18 Q Can you tell the Court what the -- what your
- 19 responsibilities are at the San Diego County Sheriff's
- 20 Department?
- 21 A Absolutely. So I oversee one of the largest jails in the
- 22 country. We have about 5,800 inmates a day, and of those
- 23 5,800 inmates, about 1,200 inmates are women at a facility
- 24 called Las Colinas.
- We have about 90,000 bookings a year, which

- 1 translates to about 230 people a day. I oversee a budget of
- 2 about \$75 million for all the inmate care. I oversee 225
- 3 nurses, 171 RNs, or registered nurses, and 54 LPNs. I also
- 4 oversee pharmacists, mental health clinicians, administrative
- 5 staff, and have 19 contracts which span physicians,
- 6 psychologists, psychiatrists, and nurse practitioners. So I
- 7 provide all the clinical oversight for medical, mental health,
- 8 and dental programs in San Diego.
- 9 Q So you also employ contractors for various aspects of
- 10 health care within your medical system?
- 11 A Yes. So in our system, we have a hybrid model. So we
- 12 have about 307 medical employees, which the bulk of it is our
- 13 nursing staff. But we also have 19 contracts with probably
- 14 over another hundred contractors.
- 15 Q And how long have you been in that position with the
- 16 | San Diego Sheriff's Department?
- 17 A Close to five years.
- 18 | Q And how many individual facilities are -- do you oversee
- 19 the health care in?
- 20 A So I oversee, in San Diego, seven facilities. And
- 21 | San Diego's county size is about the size of Connecticut.
- 22 It's about 4,500 square miles.
- 23 Q And you mentioned that there was a facility that was a
- 24 women's facility within your system. Can you tell us about
- 25 that?

- 1 A Yes. So we -- actually, it's a brand-new facility as of
- 2 a couple of years ago. It's called the Las Colinas Detention
- 3 Facility. It has a capacity of about 1,200 inmates, and our
- 4 census is typically about 1,000 inmates.
- 5 Q Let me ask you: Have you published in the area of
- 6 correctional health care?
- 7 A Yes, I have. I have published in -- related to
- 8 correctional health care, as well as emergency medicine.
- 9 Q And have you published textbooks in emergency medicine?
- 10 A Yes, I have.
- 11 Q And have you given lectures as an expert in correctional
- 12 medicine?
- 13 A Yes. So I have done a number of presentations at the
- 14 conferences for the National Commission on Correctional Health
- 15 | Care. I'm frequently invited in San Diego, and other parts of
- 16 | California as well, to speak on issues on mental health,
- 17 medical, but those are predominantly the areas.
- 18 Q Are you frequently sought out by the media to speak to
- 19 issues in correctional health care?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q When is the last time you were approached by the media
- 22 about that issue?
- 23 A So just about two weeks ago I did, basically, a story for
- 24 CBS, the local news. But I also was on the newspapers for
- 25 Union Tribune on the reduction of opiates in our jails by

98 percent.

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- 2 Q Let me ask you about consulting with respect to
- 3 correctional health care systems. Have you been retained as a
- 4 consultant to evaluate a correctional health care system?
- 5 A So as a result of some of presentations I've done and
- 6 some of the work I have published, I have been sought out by
- 7 various counties and even some states.
- And one of the most recent work was with the County
- 9 of San Luis Obispo. Basically, they wanted to have someone
- 10 come in and do an independent assessment of their medical and
- 11 mental health operations and to provide a future model on how
- 12 to provide that care.
- 13 Q And did you provide those services?
- 14 A Yes, I did.
- 15 Q Have you been consulted on correctional health care
- 16 outside of the State of California?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Other than this case, obviously?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 MR. McNELIS: Dr. Joshua, I would like to show you
- 21 what I will have marked as Defendant's Exhibit Number 35 for
- 22 identification.
- 23 Your Honor, I'm just trying to short-circuit the
- 24 | foundation. Your Honor, may I approach the witness?
- THE COURT: All right.

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            Did you have something?
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, I just wanted to note,
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   similar to our approach with regard to Mr. Dodrill, that we
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   did file a motion to exclude Dr. Joshua's testimony not
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   because he is not qualified in general, but because we don't
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   believe he applied the particular methodologies employed by
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   experts in formulating his opinions in this matter.
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            THE COURT: All right.
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            MR. McNELIS: I would just like a chance to lay that
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   foundation, Your Honor.
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   Defendant's Exhibit 35 for identification. Can you tell the
   Court what that document is?
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        That's my CV.
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        Is that a current and accurate curriculum vitae?
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   except for the media stuff from just two weeks ago.
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   it's complete, accurate, and up-to-date?
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I would like to offer
   Dr. Joshua's curriculum vitae into evidence as Defendant's
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   Exhibit 35.
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            MR. HOWARD:
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THE COURT: It will be admitted.
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         (Defendant Exhibit Number 35 was marked and received.)
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            MR. McNELIS: Dr. Joshua, I'm going show you -- if I
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   could have two more documents marked.
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   going to mark some exhibits instead of asking lots of
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   questions.
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   Defendant's Exhibit 36 for identification. And if I could
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   have this document marked Defendant's 37 for identification.
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            Approach, Your Honor?
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            THE COURT: All right.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Dr. Joshua, I'm going to present to you what I have had
   marked as Defendant's Exhibits 36 and 37 for identification.
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   complete and comprehensive list of the materials that you have
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   reviewed to form your opinions in this case, sir?
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   the case, the Clarke vs. Scott deposition should be listed.
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        Your deposition?
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        Yes.
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        Okay.
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             MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I would like to move into
   evidence Exhibits 36 and 37 as the factual and informational
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   predicate for Dr. Joshua's opinion.
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            MR. HOWARD: No objection as to 36, Your Honor.
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   to 37, I believe the record will reflect that a very
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   significant amount of information on this exhibit was reviewed
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   by Dr. Joshua after he rendered his report.
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             THE COURT:
                        Okay.
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             (Defendant Exhibit Numbers 36 and 37 were marked and
   received.)
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
        Dr. Joshua, after you rendered your report, did
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   information in this case continue to come in?
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        Yes, it did.
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        On a regular basis?
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        Yes, it did.
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        On a daily basis sometimes?
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        Yes.
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        And was it your understanding from looking at the
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   information that discovery in this case was ongoing every day
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   and there were depositions being taken on a regular basis?
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        And those materials that were sent to you that are on
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   Exhibit 37, sir, were those materials, to your knowledge, that
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   were actually available before you wrote your report?
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- 1 A They were not available before the report.
- 2 MR. McNELIS: I would like to offer Exhibit 36 into
- 3 evidence, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: All right. Let's go.
- 5 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 6 Q Dr. Joshua, do you believe the information you have been
- 7 provided is sufficient for you to render opinions that you
- 8 prepared to offer in this case?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Are all of the opinions you are prepared to offer in this
- 11 case opinions you hold to a reasonable degree of medical
- 12 probability?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Could you please tell the Court how you came -- do you
- 15 | have opinions about whether -- if Fluvanna Correctional Center
- 16 for Women, the folks there are complying with the terms of the
- 17 settlement agreement?
- 18 A Based on the review of everything I've seen, as well as
- 19 the standards from the National Commission on Correctional
- 20 | Health Care, Fluvanna is meeting the standards of the
- 21 compliance agreement.
- 22 Q And do you base that opinion, sir, in addition to the
- 23 materials that you reviewed, on your education, training, and
- 24 experience in correctional health care?
- 25 A Yes, I do.

- 1 Q And your experience in consulting in correctional health 2 care?
- 3 A Yes, I do.
- 4 MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I would like to offer
- 5 Dr. Joshua as an expert in correctional medicine -- oh, let me
- 6 back up.
- 7 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 8 Q Dr. Joshua, in addition to your duty at the San Diego
- 9 County Sheriff's Department as the chief medical director, do
- 10 you have an active -- chief medical officer, excuse me -- do
- 11 you have an active clinical practice in emergency medicine?
- 12 A Yes. I'm still a board certified emergency room
- 13 physician that practices, actually every Sunday, at the VA
- 14 hospital in San Diego. So I provide medical care at the
- 15 emergency department as an ER physician. And my last shift
- 16 | was Sunday.
- 17 Q And in your -- as part of your clinical duties as an
- 18 emergency medicine physician at the VA in San Diego, do you
- 19 treat adult women patients?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q On a regular basis?
- 22 A Yes.
- MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I would like to offer
- 24 Dr. Joshua as an expert in correctional medicine, emergency
- 25 medicine, and correctional health care administration and

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   delivery systems.
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             THE COURT: All right.
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            MR. HOWARD: Subject to our prior objection.
             THE COURT:
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                         Okay.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Dr. Joshua, based on the materials you reviewed which are
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   identified in Exhibits 36 and 37, do you believe to a
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   reasonable degree of medical probability that the Fluvanna
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   Correctional Center for Women is complying substantially with
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   the settlement agreement?
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        Yes, I do.
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        Can you tell the Court why you believe that is the case?
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         So based on all the materials I've reviewed, it looks to
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   me that Fluvanna has made substantial improvements on a number
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   of areas that was first identified in the settlement
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   agreement; areas such as staffing, areas such as scope of
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   practice, areas such as sick call, areas such as the
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   equipment, as well as the medical leadership and the overall
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   direction of the facilities.
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        Now, as part of your assessment of the care -- I'm sorry.
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   As part of your assessment of the systemic compliance or
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   noncompliance in this case, did you actually visit the
   Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women?
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        Yes, I did. So on March 21, 2018, I did a site visit to
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   Fluvanna.
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Q Can you just tell the Court briefly about that?

A So during that day — started early. At the beginning of the day, I met with Warden Aldridge, assistant warden, medical leadership, Marsha and Ellen, as well as other members of the team to really understand what the culture was and what was going on at the facility.

And then throughout the day we went to different housing areas, to the medical areas, observed the pill line, and even in the afternoon I was able to witness the offender advisory group.

Q Prior to arriving at Fluvanna, Dr. Joshua, what were your expectations, if any, about what you would find when you arrived at that facility and conducted your site visit?

MR. HOWARD: Objection. Relevance.

THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead.

A So I think there's a -- so when I first read all the materials, I had a very, very different picture in my mind of what the facility would look like. I thought it was going to be very dirty, very loud, very chaotic, as well as a lot of the deficiencies from the clinical care piece on what I read.

When I went to the facility, it was a very different picture. It was a very clean facility. It was very quiet. It was orderly. The inmates were very respectful. The deputies staff and the sworn staff were very respectful to the inmate patients. And I saw a real collaboration of leadership

- 1 among them, especially the medical leadership, especially
- 2 Marsha and Ellen.
- MR. McNELIS: Could you pull up the photographs?
- 4 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 5 Q Dr. Joshua, while you were conducting your site visit
- 6 this past March, did you instruct people to take pictures at
- 7 various -- of various parts of the facility as you toured it?
- 8 A Yes, I did.
- 9 MR. McNELIS: We are pulling those pictures up right
- 10 now, Your Honor. I hope.
- 11 BY MR. McNELIS:
- 12 Q Dr. Joshua, I'm going to show you a series of photos, and
- 13 then I quess at the end we will identify it as an exhibit and
- 14 try to move it into evidence.
- 15 Can you tell the Court, is this one of the photos
- 16 that was taken during your site visit?
- 17 A Yes, it was.
- 18 Q And what does this depict, sir?
- 19 A So this is the triage area in the infirmary area of the
- 20 jail -- I mean, of the prison.
- 21 Q And is that how it appeared during your visit in March of
- 22 this past year?
- 23 A Yes, it was.
- 24 Q Could you just comment on the general condition of that,
- 25 based on your expertise in correctional health care?

- 1 A So, again, you could see how clean it was, how organized
- 2 it was. And I was able to speak with the staff there. At the
- 3 time there was no one that required a triage, but it was very
- 4 kept, very organized and clean.
- 5 Q Is this area that's depicted in this photograph the area
- 6 where, to your understanding, inmates who filed emergency
- 7 grievances would be taken to be triaged?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Next photo, please. And is this also a picture of that
- 10 same triage area?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Next photo, please. Can you tell the Court what is
- 13 depicted in this photograph?
- 14 A So based on some of the reports of some of the
- 15 plaintiffs' experts about the equipment, I wanted to look at
- 16 the equipment and see, were they in good working order, and
- 17 what condition they were.
- 18 As you can see in the picture, the wheelchairs are
- 19 fairly brand-new. The medical gurneys and the crash cart were
- 20 all in fairly good working condition and look like they're
- 21 actually on the newer side.
- 22 Q How would you describe, based on your experience in
- 23 correctional health care and running one of the largest jail
- 24 systems in the country, the level of quality and maintenance
- 25 of the equipment depicted in this photograph?

- 1 A So the quality is actually much higher than what I was
- 2 expecting. I was expecting equipment that was going to be 15,
- 3 20 years old, based, again, on many of the reports and many of
- 4 the allegations from some of the plaintiffs' side. So I
- 5 really wanted to look at much of the equipment, and it looked
- 6 very in good working order and on the newer side.
- 7 Q Next photo, please. And is this also a picture of the
- 8 same wheelchair?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Next photo, please. Can you tell the Court what is
- 11 depicted in this photograph?
- 12 A So I went -- and this is, again, in that infirmary-type
- 13 area. So I went down the halls and looked at some of the
- 14 individual rooms, and this is a medical-grade bed.
- 15 Q And you say -- what type of room is this that's depicted
- 16 here, if you can describe to the Court?
- 17 A So it was in the infirmary area for patients that had
- 18 medical conditions.
- 19 Q Next photograph. And you were talking about the type of
- 20 bed. Can you explain to the Court what type of bed this is
- 21 that you saw on your visit?
- 22 A So this is a medical-grade bed similar to what you would
- 23 see at a hospital.
- 24 Q Next photograph. Could you please tell the Court what is
- 25 depicted in this photograph?

- 1 A So this is the dental room with the dental equipment that
- 2 the inmates get. And it was actually a really nice area, and
- 3 many of the equipment looked like it was on the fairly new
- 4 side as well.
- 5 Q Is this equipment of the caliber that you have seen in
- 6 other correctional facilities, or better?
- 7 A I would actually say better than a lot of other
- 8 facilities.
- 9 Q Next photograph. Can you please tell the Court -- go to
- 10 the next photograph after this one. I think it might be
- 11 better.
- Can you please tell the Court what this photograph
- 13 depicts?
- 14 A So this is where the dialysis machines and where the
- 15 dialysis was taking place. And as you can see from the
- 16 | machines, and the room actually -- the picture doesn't really
- 17 give justice to it, but it's nice and clean, well-lit, and a
- 18 pretty fairly nice room.
- 19 Q How would you describe the caliber and quality of the
- 20 dialysis equipment depicted in this photograph?
- 21 A So, again, I didn't see a person doing the dialysis
- 22 machine, but basically, the equipment looked like it was in
- 23 good working order.
- 24 Q Next photograph. Could you tell the Court what's
- 25 depicted in this photograph?

- 1 A An X-ray machine.
- 2 Q And can you describe the quality or -- is that a -- how
- 3 | would you describe that X-ray machine?
- 4 A So the X-ray machine was in fairly good working order.
- 5 The reason I specifically looked in this area was there was an
- 6 allegation in one of the expert reports on the plaintiffs'
- 7 side that the certificate for this X-ray machine had expired.
- 8 So I wanted to look and see if that certificate was expired.
- 9 Q Next photo. Did you take a look at the certificate? Is
- 10 that a picture of the certificate?
- 11 A Yes. I specifically asked for this picture.
- 12 Q What does the certificate indicate, Dr. Joshua, with
- 13 respect to when the certification expires?
- 14 A That the certification was active.
- 15 Q Next photograph. And what is this a picture of, sir?
- 16 A Still part of that X-ray room.
- 17 Q Next photograph. Can you please tell the Court what that
- 18 is?
- 19 A So that's a mammogram machine.
- 20 Q There's been some testimony -- well, strike that.
- Is that mammogram machine dated or out of date?
- 22 A It looks on the fairly newer side.
- 23 Q Next photograph. And these are photographs of what, sir?
- 24 A The library. I wanted to look at, you know, where the
- 25 inmates were getting recreational or other type of activities

- 1 as well on my site visit. And this was actually a really nice
- 2 library that they had.
- 3 Q Next photo. Is that another picture of the library?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Next photo. Is this -- what is this a picture of?
- 6 A Still part of that.
- 7 Q The library. Next photo. That's also the library.
- 8 Can you tell the Court what is depicted here if the
- 9 | Court can't figure it out?
- 10 A So it's -- they have a pretty nice size gym. The gym was
- 11 actually very clean, well-lit, and exercise machines, as you
- 12 can see, against the wall.
- 13 Q Next photo. Is that also a picture of the gym?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Next photo. Same thing?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And what is this a picture of?
- 18 A So when I was observing the pill line, this was basically
- 19 for the diabetic checks. This was in that central location,
- 20 and the inmates were lined up to basically receive medications
- 21 and diabetic finger-stick glucose checks.
- 22 MR. McNELIS: At this point, Your Honor, I would like
- 23 to offer the series of -- I believe it's 21 photographs as
- 24 Defendant's Exhibit Number 48.
- MS. MULDOUNEY: 38.

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            MR. McNELIS: 38.
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            MR. HOWARD: No objection, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: They will be admitted.
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         (Defendant Exhibit Number 38 was marked and received.)
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            MR. McNELIS: And Heidi, we will have to put that
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   together and give it to you during a break. You can take that
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   down.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Dr. Joshua, based upon your review -- your personal site
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   visit of the facility, was it your -- what is your opinion
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   about how they performed pill pass, for example?
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        So it was very orderly. The nurses, especially Marsha,
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   the HSA, as well as Ellen, the director of nursing, really
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   implemented real change in the sense of from a cultural
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   standpoint, and then also from the other nurses and the
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   providers that were there. The inmates were lined up on that
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   day. And basically, it was very orderly.
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        What about with respect to the medical leadership? Did
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   you have access to various people when you were at the
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   facility?
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        Yes, I did.
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        Tell us about some of the people you got to interact
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   with.
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        So I got to interact with the health services
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   administrator, Marsha Stanford, who really has not only a
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   great attitude but also has great rapport with the inmate
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   patients. She was really personable to a lot of the inmates.
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   And actually, if there was an issue with them, she would
   personally go and talk to them about those issues and really
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   tried to alleviate a lot of potential grievances at the line
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   level.
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            She also instructed many of her nurses in terms of
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   the vision and direction of how they should go and really
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   spoke to her previous experience to do that.
        Did you meet with other members of the administration?
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        Yes, I did, with Ellen Katzman, the director of nursing,
   and then heard about the recruitment efforts that was being
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   had.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, I'm going to object to some
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   of this as hearsay.
            THE COURT: Well --
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            MR. McNELIS: I'm not offering any of this for the
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           I mean, I don't think he has quoted anybody on
   truth.
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   something we're offering for the truth.
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            MR. HOWARD: It's clearly offered for the truth, Your
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   Honor. Otherwise, it's irrelevant.
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            THE COURT: Well, but he --
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            MR. McNELIS: He is talking about verbal conduct.
   Your Honor, verbal conduct.
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             THE COURT: He expressed an opinion and he's talking
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   to people to form his opinion.
                                    That's all. Go ahead.
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            MR. McNELIS: Okay. Thank you, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Overruled.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        You met with Ms. Katzman as well?
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        Yes.
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        Did you have occasion to meet Warden Aldridge?
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        Yes, I did.
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        Based upon your site visit, do you believe that the
   health care services that are being provided at Fluvanna
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   appear to be appropriate?
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        Actually, I felt it was above what I was even expecting.
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   And one of the really surprising things to me was as we were
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   doing the site visit, the warden was with me walking around.
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   Many of the inmates would come up to the warden and to Marsha
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   and basically say how good the care was they were getting and
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   how things have improved. And so I was surprised to hear that
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   from a number of inmates as I was passing by.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, we are going to object to
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   this line of questioning. We had attempted to resolve a
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   matter involving the fact that attorneys from the defendants
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   were present and -- during the interaction between --
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            THE COURT: All of that goes to the weight of the
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              I mean, obviously why people come up and say things
   evidence.
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   at different times, you know, could be influenced by any
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   number of things.
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            MR. HOWARD: But specifically with regard to the
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   ethical issue regarding the presence of the attorneys during
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   these communications, we thought we had made an arrangement
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   whereby what the inmate said would not be mentioned during
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   testimony.
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            MR. McNELIS: I was getting ready to move on to
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   another area, Your Honor. I'm not --
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            THE COURT: I mean, I will take that -- I think still
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   it all goes to the weight.
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            MR. HOWARD: Thank you, Your Honor.
            THE COURT: Go ahead.
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Let me shift gears with you, Dr. Joshua. As part of your
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   review of this case, did you review the clinical medical
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   records of Ms. Liberato?
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        Yes, I did.
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        Did you also review the clinical medical records of
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   Ms. Niece?
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        Yes.
        First of all, let's focus on Ms. Liberato. Based upon
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   your review of the clinical medical record of Ms. Liberato, do
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   you believe to a reasonable degree of medical probability that
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   the care she received at Fluvanna was appropriate care?
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        Yes, I do.
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- Q Could you please tell the Court why you believe that?
- A So Ms. Liberato is a 70-year-old female with a history of high blood pressure, diabetes diagnosed in 1991, has a history of heart failure, and has had two heart attacks in 1989 and 2000. So she has a lot of co-morbid conditions.

She was on a number of cardiac medications. She was on diuretic medications. And while she was at Fluvanna, she was actively seen by the medical staff. So it's unfortunate, but when you have some of these co-morbid conditions, it does increase your risk of having death.

And some of it is from long-term damage such as high blood pressure, diabetes, heart attacks that weaken your heart. So there is also the component where a person has to also have dietary compliance. She was put on a low-sodium diet. But obviously the commissary can be outside of it. And then medication compliance, because there was a report after her death that some of her medications she wasn't taking and storing in her cell. So those two aspects also do have a role in it.

But looking at her entire clinical condition, it would have seemed, even if she was in the community, because of those risks factors she would have succumbed to the same fate.

Q But, Dr. Joshua, you are aware that Ms. Liberato had a weight gain right before she passed away. Right?

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       So in the past -- I have reviewed her records extensively
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  of the past two years while she was at Fluvanna.
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  been times even prior to that, even a year ago, where she
  would gain, you know, 20-plus pounds in one direction and then
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  20 pounds in the other direction. There were issues with her
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  legs where she had chronic edema. She had infections.
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  medical staff were actively involved in her care and was
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  constantly dealing with certain issues.
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But with something like congestive heart failure, you will have your good days and you will have your bad days. There isn't a point where you are going to be cured of congestive heart failure. There's not a point where you're cured of diabetes. And so these things over time do build up, and there aren't -- you know, it's unfortunate, but regardless of a prison setting or in a community setting, or even in a hospital setting, people do succumb to the risk factors over a long period of time.

- 18 Q And do you believe that Ms. Liberato had advanced congestive heart failure?
- 20 A Yes.

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- 21 Q And do patients with advanced congestive heart failure,
- 22 Doctor, tend to have times when they retain more fluid and
- 23 don't retain more fluid; they have weight fluctuations like
- 24 she had?
- 25 A Yes. And that's why she was prescribed the medication

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                  That is -- essentially, you pee out the excess
   called Lasix.
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   fluid of the body. But one of the areas, looking at it, if
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   she wasn't taking that medication or her heart medications, it
   could have created a worse exacerbation of those conditions.
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        Now, let me ask you to focus on Ms. Niece. Can you tell
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   the Court whether you believe, based upon your review of
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   Ms. Niece's clinical medical records, whether the care that
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   was provided to her at Fluvanna was appropriate?
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        Yes.
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        And you believe that to a reasonable degree of medical
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   probability?
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        Yes.
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        Can you please tell the Court why you hold that opinion?
        So Ms. Niece died of a saddle pulmonary embolus.
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   this is a large blood clot that basically, 99 percent of the
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   time, will kill somebody right there and then.
            The reports colloquially is somebody gets off an
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   airplane, they collapse, die. Those are what typically
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   happens is a saddle pulmonary embolus.
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            So in this type of situation, Ms. Niece didn't have
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   any risk factors that would show that she had pulmonary
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   embolus. She didn't have a previous deep vein thrombosis or
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   blood clot in the leq. She didn't have a previous PE or was
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   put on any anti-coagulation medication. No recent
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immobilization, travel, or surgery, or on hormone replacement.

She did have a history of multiple sclerosis, but that just marginally increases the risk. But based on all of her symptoms and conditions, when she was complaining of shortness of breath and saying that it was really hot and her heart rate was elevated, the reasonable conclusion would have been maybe she was a little dehydrated. And they actually did recommend to drink plenty of fluids.

But as an emergency room physician, I can say pulmonary embolus is one of the hardest diagnoses to make. It is up there with -- similar to aortic dissection, and with a reason being that the symptoms are very, very vague. And you really -- the way to make the diagnosis in the emergency department is to get a CAT scan of the chest.

And unfortunately, even if she got to the emergency department, many times physicians might not order the CAT scan of the chest because you have to have a high level of suspension, because ordering a CAT scan also exposes a young person like her, 39, to radiation which is a significant amount of radiation. So they have to make that decision.

And with a saddle pulmonary embolus, even if she was just put on anti-coagulation and the clot broke off, she still could have surpassed to a sudden cardiac death in the hospital.

So even with all the symptomology and all the conditions, the care was appropriate. It's unfortunate what

1 happened, but this was a very difficult diagnosis. 2 MR. McNELIS: Dr. Joshua, those are all the questions 3 I have at this point. Thank you very much. 4 THE WITNESS: You're welcome. 5 THE COURT: All right. You may cross. Go ahead. 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. HOWARD: 8 Good morning, Dr. Joshua. 9 Α Good morning. 10 Could you look at Exhibit 37, please? That's the list of your supplemental materials. 12 Yes. Α 13 What's the first item listed there? Contract letters to Armor and Mediko. 14 Α 15 And those are letters that were sent by DOC to those two 16 contractors. Correct? 17 Α Yes. 18 Are you aware that the date on those letters was 19 September 27, 2017? 20 I would have to review it again. 21 So assuming that I'm correct, it's not true, is it, that 22 all the materials on the supplemental list were not available 23 when you first wrote your report? 24 So it was when it was sent to me. So everything in my

actual report from 1 through 35 was what was sent to me by

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email by counsel.
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        That's not what I asked you, sir. I asked you if it was
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   true that all the materials listed on this supplemental list
   were unavailable at the time that you did your initial report?
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        So to my understanding, from 1 through 35 was what was
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   available to me.
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        I didn't ask what was available to you. I asked about
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   what was available. Similarly --
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            MR. McNELIS: Objection. How could he possibly know
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   what was available?
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            THE COURT: Well, you asked him that first.
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            MR. HOWARD: Yes, you did.
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            THE COURT: And he answered it.
            THE WITNESS: Again, to my understanding, 1 through
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   35 was all that was available.
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   BY MR. HOWARD:
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        So DOC and Armor analysis of April 20, 2017, plaintiff
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   attorney letter, that was unavailable to you?
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        I -- if I don't know about it. I mean, 1 through 35 is
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   what I knew about based on the emails that were sent to me.
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        Okay. You have made your point.
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            With regard to the equipment photos, do you have any
   idea when those items actually got to Fluvanna?
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        I do not.
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        Okay. Would it come as a surprise to you if the facility
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- 113 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF DR. ALFRED JOSHUA 1 was in pristine condition and all the equipment was all shiny 2 and everything like that for purposes of your visit on 3 March 21? I would find that very hard to believe, that they would 4 5 just do it for one day and just dress up the entire facility for one day. 6 7 You would find that hard to believe? I would find that hard to believe. 8 9 You made reference to cultural changes that you 10 attributed to Ms. Stanford and Ms. Katzman. You don't have any idea what the culture was like before March 21, do you? 11 12
 - The culture that I got was from reading all of -everything from the settlement agreement and from all the documents that I reviewed from 2012 and what all of the allegations were. So I had the picture in my head of what that environment would be like and what the culture was.

And also with the problems with the retention in staffing that there would have to be, just based on my own experience at my own facility -- I do oversee 225 nurses -and I do understand the challenges with recruitment and retention of nursing staff, that similar issues could potentially be there.

- 23 Are you aware that Fluvanna was considerably understaffed 24 with regard to nursing as recently as January of 2018?
- 25 So I saw that in the reports, yes.

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- Q And are you aware of Ms. Katzman's testimony yesterday
 that they went from significantly understaffed in terms of
 nursing to overstaffed in a period of five months?
- 4 A Yes. I saw that.
- 5 Q Is there any reason, to your knowledge, why that couldn't
- 6 have been done sooner?
- 7 A So again, I put this in my actual report, that there is a
- 8 fallacy in terms of even the staffing numbers. It's really,
- 9 are the functions and the care provided to the inmates, is
- 10 that adequate and is it being done and are inmates having
- 11 access to care? And so you could have these numbers, but it
- 12 really is, are those functions being done?
- And so the way that the medical leadership under
- 14 Marsha and -- and I can only speak under their leadership
- 15 because my site visit was March 21. It appeared that not only
- 16 was there significant changes with the way the culture was,
- 17 but also in terms of the processes and also continuous daily
- 18 improvement.
- 19 Q Have you read Dr. Scharff's compliance monitor reports
- 20 from March 2016 through the present?
- 21 A Yes, I did.
- 22 Q And do you have any reason to conclude on the basis of
- 23 reading those reports that the staffing was adequate to meet
- 24 patient needs prior to very recently?
- 25 A So based on how that was structured and based on

- everything that was stated in the documents, he did state that it was being understaffed.
- 3 Q And as of the time that you rendered your report and were
- 4 deposed in this matter by Ms. Castaneda, my colleague, you had
- 5 only read the February 2018 report by Dr. Scharff. Correct?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q Was there any reason why you hadn't read the others prior
- 8 to that?
- 9 A So I thought I read all of it. The one -- I just got the
- 10 recent one where it was a draft form of Dr. Scharff's report.
- 11 So that was the only new report since the deposition.
- 12 Q That, I don't believe, was what I asked you. Is there
- 13 any reason why the reports between March 2016 and
- 14 February 2018 hadn't been reviewed by you in preparing your
- 15 report?
- 16 A So I believe I reviewed all of them.
- 17 Q You think that was your deposition testimony?
- 18 A Yeah. I believe that was.
- 19 Q You made reference to -- oh, before I leave the photo
- 20 issue completely: Have you seen the photos taken at Fluvanna
- 21 during Nurse Clark's visit?
- 22 A No, I have not.
- 23 Q Regarding Ms. Liberato's medical record review and your
- 24 opinions with regard to the sufficiency of her treatment, have
- 25 you seen the mortality review report prepared by Dr. Gable?

So he was

Yes, I have. 1 Α 2 And you are aware, are you not, that there is a list of 3 points addressed under the topic "Discussion" at the end of that report that, per Dr. Gable's testimony, identify matters 4 5 that he believes were opportunities for self-critical analysis and improvement on the part of Fluvanna medical staff? 6 7 Yes, I am. Α 8 So you basically just discount or disregard 9 Dr. Gable's opinions with regard to the sufficiency of 10 Ms. Liberato's care? So I think Dr. Gable spoke pretty well yesterday related 11 to that. And I think this is the unfortunate part with 12 13 quality assurance. 14 In a hospital setting, quality assurance is pretty 15 protected. Like, you have an M&M review and many of this discussion happens. But in a jail or prison setting, it's not 16 confidential. So much of that quality assurance is now open 17 18 to the public. So he is looking for ways on how to improve 19 the system, and that's how the system improves. But you can't 20 say that there is no, let's say, quality assurance mechanism 21 in place, and then say because they are offering 22 recommendations on how to improve it, that basically that's --23 you know, that the care is really bad. 24 That's part of the responsibilities of a physician

leader, to basically do that quality assurance.

- doing his job. And I think he eloquently said it yesterday in terms of that respect.

 But it's not either/or, necessarily, is it? I mean,
 there can be opportunities for improvement, but there are also
- 5 problems or he wouldn't have identified them; isn't that
- 6 correct?
- A So based on that rationale, I think you can have a

 8 settlement agreement at the Cleveland Clinic, the Mayo Clinic,

 9 even Mass General, because basically all of that similar

 10 information is being discussed in the hospital on any given

 11 day. And so based on that same logic, you would say there are
- The real question is, is there systemic issues? And at Fluvanna, there wasn't systemic issues, based on my review.

so many problems at every organization, every institution.

- 15 Q Dr. Joshua, you have expressed some opinions regarding
 16 the "prescriptive" nature of some of the compliance standards
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19 Q And it's your opinion that those provisions, because of

set forth in the settlement agreement; is that correct?

- 20 the way they are formulated, may hinder rather than actually
- 21 help the goals of the settlement agreement. Right?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Okay. Are you familiar with the Prison Litigation Reform
- 24 Act, Dr. Joshua?
- 25 A Can you just explain what you are talking about?

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        It's a federal statute that governs both the nature of
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   agreements that can be reached by parties with governmental
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   entities relating to corrections conditions and imposes
   limitations on what federal courts can approve with regard to
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   types of agreements.
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   provisions, you are not attempting to collaterally attack this
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   Court's view that the settlement agreement was appropriately
   approved under the terms of the PLRA, are you?
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   the goal is to improve the quality and care at Fluvanna for
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   the inmates, then you have to look at it in a very different
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   light. You have to empower the leadership, provide them the
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   autonomy, and actually have -- I would say space out the
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   intervals for even when people are coming to do the checks,
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   because every three months is a very, very short period of
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          And in the settlement agreement, there is no -- what
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   priorities. And I listed all of that in my report.
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   would go bankrupt, because you need to have priority, you need
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   to have timelines, and then you need to have reasonable checks
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- CROSS-EXAMINATION OF DR. ALFRED JOSHUA on what that timeline looks like. 1 2 You've endorsed and would prefer the National Commission 3 on Correctional Health Care, NCCHC, standards to the standards set forth in the settlement agreement. Correct? 4 5 Yes. Α 6 But didn't you acknowledge in your deposition that the 7 standards set forth in the settlement agreement with regard 8 to, for example, grievance procedure and the standards 9 articulated by the NCCHC are basically the same? 10 So there were aspects of the settlement agreement that 11 actually --12 0 It's a yes-or-no question, Doctor. 13 Well, I have to explain it, because it's not a --Α 14 I'm sorry, you don't have to explain. 15 THE COURT: Just answer the question. Then explain 16 it. 17 THE WITNESS: Okay. 18 So can you repeat that again? 19 BY MR. HOWARD: 20 Yeah. So the question was whether in your deposition you
- didn't acknowledge, with regard to several standards set forth in the settlement agreement, that you regarded to as quoted,
 "prescriptive," that in fact the language is virtually identical to the NCCHC standard?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q Okay.
- 2 A So to clarify.
- 3 Q You have answered my question. Thank you. If your
- 4 counsel would like to ask you to explain further, he may do
- 5 so.
- 6 A Okay.
- 7 Q And you also criticized Dr. Scharff for interpreting
- 8 compliance provisions in the settlement agreement in a
- 9 "arbitrary manner."
- 10 Do you recall that?
- MR. McNELIS: I'm going to object to this as beyond
- 12 the scope of direct. He didn't levy one criticism against
- 13 anything in his direct examination, so I don't know how I've
- 14 opened the door to this.
- 15 THE COURT: Well, he has expressed the broad opinion
- 16 that everything is going well, that everything is as good as
- 17 it could be. So I think he can ask questions concerning how
- 18 he formulated his opinion.
- 19 MR. HOWARD: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 20 BY MR. HOWARD:
- 21 Q At your deposition, the example you provided with regard
- 22 to illustrating the arbitrariness of Dr. Scharff's analysis
- 23 was not anything said in his reports, but rather something you
- 24 were told at the prison during your visit about Dr. Scharff's
- 25 comment about the need for hot water in the laundry. Correct?

1 Α Yes. 2 THE COURT: Do stick to his testimony. If he is not 3 offering opinions on a subject here today, there is no need to try to cross-examine him about those. 4 5 BY MR. HOWARD: 6 I guess my point, Dr. Joshua, was that on Exhibit 36, 7 which is the materials that you reviewed as of the time --8 Yes. Α 9 -- that you did your report, you list Dr. Scharff's 10 report for February 2018. 11 Do you see that? That's Number 11, item 11 on that Exhibit 36. 12 13 Yes. Α But Dr. Scharff doesn't say anything about hot water in 14 the laundry in that report, does he? He does not. 16 Α 17 You also have expressed an opinion criticizing 18 Dr. Scharff for failing to recognize the significance of 19 American Correctional Association accreditation of Fluvanna in December of 2017. Correct? 20 21 Α Yes. 22 Okay. But you also acknowledged in your deposition 23 testimony that ACA accreditation does not say anything in 24 particular about either the appropriateness or timeliness of

medical care for patients; isn't that correct?

- A So that's why I stated that the NCCHC accreditation with the ACA would fulfill many of what was really required in the settlement agreement.
- Q So is that a yes with regard to the fact that ACA standards don't say anything in particular about appropriateness or timeliness of treatment for patients?
 - A It is not particularly focused on medical care.

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- 8 Q Okay. So why should Dr. Scharff have given credit to 9 Fluvanna for ACA accreditation?
- A Because -- so the medical areas in a jail or any prison doesn't operate in silo. They work with the support staff and the security component. So you also want a standard there with the correctional staff to basically be able to have the environment so that an effective medical program can be in

effect, in terms of access, in terms of the resources.

And so ACA provides baseline level resources, but —actually, baseline level standards on the correctional side that significantly impact medical. So NCCHC is much more focused on medical and mental health, and that's why I felt the collaboration between the two and having both would actually significantly improve and create objective standards going forward.

- Q Do you know how long Fluvanna has been ACA accredited?
- 24 A I believe in the 2000s is when they started.
- Q Okay. So that was before this lawsuit started in 2012.

- 1 Correct? 2 Α Yes. 3 And before Judge Moon rendered his opinions with regard to deliberate indifference to medical care in 2014. Correct? 4 5 Yes. Α 6 And before the settlement agreement was reached. 7 Correct? 8 Yes. Α 9 With regard to NCCHC accreditation, are you aware 10 of any correctional institutions around the country that are NCCHC accredited, but nevertheless have been found by courts 11 12 to have engaged in the provision of unconstitutional medical 13 area? 14 Α Not that I'm aware of. I know of a number of places that 15 they've gone into a consent decree and then they subsequently 16 have gotten the accreditation. 17 MR. HOWARD: I have nothing further, Your Honor. 18 THE COURT: All right. 19 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 20 BY MR. McNELIS: 21 Real quickly, the ACA accreditation is broadly focused on the overall mission of correctional facilities. Correct? 22 23 Α Yes.

There is a medical component to that accreditation?

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There is, but the surveyors are not medically trained.

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- 1 Q Now, with the NCCHC that you are talking about, that is a
 2 medically focused certification looking solely at the medical
 3 aspects of the facility?
- 4 A The medical, mental health, and dental. Yes.
- 5 Q And Dr. Joshua, just to respond to a comment the Court
- 6 made, it is not your testimony, is it, sir, that everything is
- 7 as good as it could be at Fluvanna, is it?
- 8 A No. There were significant improvements made from the
- 9 time of this settlement agreement.
- 10 Q And based upon your review of all the evidence in this
- 11 case having sat through several days of this trial, is it your
- 12 belief to a reasonable degree of medical certainty that
- 13 improvements will continue?
- 14 A Agree.
- 15 Q And do you believe that the timetable that they are on is
- 16 appropriate, given the terms of the settlement agreement?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 MR. McNELIS: Thank you very much.
- 19 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Doctor. You may
- 20 step down.
- 21 We will take about a ten-minute recess.
- 22 MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, if I may, there is just one
- 23 quick thing. The plaintiffs had asked that Ms. Tina Miller be
- 24 transported this morning in anticipation of calling her in
- 25 rebuttal. And the plaintiffs have since concluded she will

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   not be needed for rebuttal. And we would ask with Your
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   Honor's permission, if she -- she's been in the holding cell
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   all morning -- if she could come into the courtroom for the
   remainder of the day.
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            THE COURT: All right.
            MR. McNELIS: She's not a witness, you said?
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            MS. CIOLFI: She's not going --
            MR. McNELIS: Certainly no objection on our part.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Thank you, Your Honor.
            THE MARSHAL: All rise.
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         (Recess taken from 11:48 a.m. until 11:59 a.m.)
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            THE COURT: Your next witness.
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                          The defense calls Deputy Director Scott.
            MS. LONDOS:
           N.H. "COOKIE" SCOTT, DEFENDANT'S WITNESS, SWORN
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   BY MS. LONDOS:
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        It's N.H. "Cookie" Scott. That's S-C-O-T-T.
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        And your current position with the Virginia Department of
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   Corrections, please?
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        I'm deputy director for the division of administration.
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        Could you please recite your educational history,
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   starting in college, and your professional history through
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   today to give the Court an understanding of what brought you
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   to this position today?
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A I am actually the first African-American graduate of Longwood University. I graduated with a degree in sociology with a concentration in social welfare.
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After college, I went to work at the University of
Virginia Medical Center. I worked on the psychiatric ward for
about 13 months, at which point I was hired as a probation
officer with the 16th Judicial District here in
Charlottesville. I worked from '73 to '76 as a probation
officer, and I was promoted to probation supervisor with the
Court. In '77, I became acting director for the Court, and
then promoted to court service unit director in 1978. And I
worked in Charlottesville.

I was responsible for the City of Charlottesville and eight surrounding counties for probation services, domestic relations issues. And then I was promoted to human resources manager for the Department of Corrections. I moved to Richmond to our headquarters building. I remained in human resources until 2002, at which point I was promoted to deputy director for the division of administration.

20 Q And that was in 2002?

- 21 A That was in November of 2002.
- 22 Q Did there come a time when the division of health
- 23 services for the Virginia Department of Corrections came under
- 24 your line of supervision?
- 25 A Yes. In November of 2014, the director had been doing --

- Director Clarke was appointed director. At that point in

 Virginia in 2010, he began his assessment of the department,

 how the operations worked in the agency, and in 2014 decided

 that health services would be placed under the division of

 administration.
 - Prior to that, it had been under the division of administration until 2002. When the then-deputy decided to move to operations, he wanted to take health services with him because he had a particular interest. That remained with that deputy until he retired, and then Director Clarke did his assessment of the agency and decided that health services should have been under administration because it manages the support functions for the organization. And so it was returned to the division of administration.
- 15 Q And that was in November 2014. Correct?
- 16 A That is correct.

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- 17 Q Thank you. Deputy Director Scott, I would like to ask
- 18 you some questions about the 2015 Armor contract. Are you
- 19 familiar with that contract?
- 20 A Yes, I am.
- 21 Q Okay. And do you have personal knowledge as to how the
- 22 staffing component of that contract was crafted?
- 23 A Yes, I do.
- 24 Q Can you -- and let me begin: That Armor contract has
- 25 been discussed. Is that simply for Fluvanna, or is it for

multiple facilities in Virginia?

- 2 A That was for, at one point, 17 facilities in Virginia.
- 3 Powhatan was one of those. We changed the process -- I'm
- 4 sorry. That was for 17 facilities. We changed that process,
- 5 and now I think there are 16 that are covered by the contract.
- 6 Q How was the staffing component at Fluvanna of the Armor
- 7 contract in 2015, how was that crafted and arrived at?
- 8 A Fred Schilling, who was our health services director at
- 9 that time, led the process for looking at the staffing. It
- 10 was his responsibility to do the staffing component of the
- 11 contract.

- He did a task analysis, which is normally what one
- 13 would do when looking at how to staff a unit. Based on that
- 14 task analysis, he brought in some -- well, he brought in some
- 15 other folks. He brought in some other health professionals,
- 16 some nurses, some senior nurses in the department. They were
- 17 a part of the process, and they looked at other facilities.
- 18 They looked at male facilities but certainly are aware that
- 19 women have much different health care needs. And so I knew
- 20 that that was just the basis of comparison, that certainly
- 21 we're not going to staff a female facility in the same way
- 22 that they staffed the male facility.
- So they looked at ratio also, looked at how many
- 24 people would be offering services to a particular group of
- 25 people. They looked at the tasks. They looked at sick call.

1 They looked at chronic care. They looked at med pass, how 2 those things are impacted by staffing. 3 And are you familiar with Mr. Schilling's credentials in terms of his experience in doing these similar type analysis? 4 5 Mr. Schilling, Fred Schilling, came to the Department of 6 Corrections from a nursing home -- with a nursing home 7 administrator background. So he had a great deal of knowledge 8 regarding staffing. But at that point, he had also been with 9 corrections for 20 years, so also had experience with staffing 10 in corrections. 11 Do you know if the analysis that went into crafting the 12 staffing component of the -- for staffing in the Armor 13 contract for Fluvanna also considered trends in health care 14 and those types of issues? So, yes. It looked at -- task analysis is certainly a 15 Α 16 big component of looking at staffing. So he was looking at 17 how many people we needed to do what, but also he's projecting 18 for the future. So he looks at what the national trends are. 19 I know that we had a discussion at one point 20 regarding drug issues. We talked about heart disease, cancer. 21 I think the script had flipped. Cancer had been the leading 22 cause of issues among women, with heart disease second. 23 considered that that had actually flipped, and heart disease 24 became the number one issue, health issue, facing women, and 25 cancer second.

We looked at what's happening in our own agency. I mean, that's an indication of what we can anticipate in other facilities as well. So all of those things came into play as we were talking about staffing.

Q And the settlement agreement at issue in this hearing was

- Q And the settlement agreement at issue in this hearing was also in play at that time. Correct?
- A Fred Schilling was a major player in our discussions on the settlement agreement. Certainly aware of that, aware that we were going to need to look at staffing somewhat differently just based on the settlement agreement because we were going to be asked to do certain things.
- Q Could you address briefly the issue of liquidated damages under the contract and the relationship between full-time employees versus agency employees? Because I think that's been a little -- that's been, perhaps, lost in some of the conversation this week.
- And it's really sort of an interesting situation, because under the contract, the full-time employees need to be on their payroll. However, with Armor, I know that they staffed with agency nurses because they had some difficulty attracting full-time staff. They can be penalized for the agency nurses. Despite the fact that they may be fully staffed, they may be penalized because there are not full-time employees on their payroll.
- 25 Q On Armor's payroll?

- A On Armor's payroll. Correct.
- 2 Q As deputy director in 2015 when this Armor contract went
- 3 into effect, what was your belief, what was your opinion, as
- 4 to the adequacy of the staffing in the Armor contract at the
- 5 time it was entered in the fall of 2015?
- 6 A I absolutely believe that it was adequate, because I
- 7 believe that Mr. Schilling had looked at not only what was
- 8 going on with the Department; I think he had taken into
- 9 account the settlement agreement. I think he had looked at
- 10 what was going on nationally in terms of health care.
- 11 And the contract is structured such that it is
- 12 minimum staffing. This is what we minimally need to do to
- 13 address health care needs. That does not mean that Armor
- 14 could not bring on other people if they needed to do that, but
- 15 it also did not mean that they could not come back to us at
- 16 some point to say that it was inadequate and that they wanted
- 17 more staff. That's the side part of a contract modification.
- 18 They can come back and modify or request to modify the
- 19 contract.

- 20 Q Were you involved in the discussions and the drafting and
- 21 the crafting of the settlement agreement at issue before the
- 22 Court today?
- 23 A I was a part of that process, yes.
- 24 Q Can you expand on that what your involvement was? For
- 25 instance, did you have conversations with Dr. Scharff?

- 1 A We had conversations with Dr. Scharff. Dr. Kohl, who I
- 2 believe is a practicing physician in Nebraska, was a part of
- 3 that process. We had discussions regarding whether or not we
- 4 would comply with ACA standards, whether or not it would be
- 5 NCCHC standards, looking at our own policies and procedures.
- 6 So a number of discussions regarding the process.
- 7 Q Would you say you were part of the VDOC team that was
- 8 involved in the drafting of the settlement agreement?
- 9 A Yes, I was.
- 10 Q Okay. And your involvement -- or your communications
- 11 with Dr. Scharff during the process of drafting the settlement
- 12 agreement and the VDOC, learning and kind of having an
- 13 understanding of what the settlement agreement actually meant,
- 14 were you involved in those discussions?
- 15 A Yes, I was.
- 16 Q Based upon your involvement in the crafting of the
- 17 settlement agreement, the drafting of the settlement agreement
- 18 and all of the -- and let's just back up.
- 19 There were a fair number of meetings that went into
- 20 that process. Correct?
- 21 A That is correct.
- 22 Q Okay. Is that perhaps an understatement?
- 23 A Yes, that's an understatement.
- 24 Q Okay. Based upon your involvement in the crafting of the
- 25 settlement agreement and specifically your communications with

1 Dr. Scharff, what was your expectation as the deputy director 2 of VDOC as to how long it would likely take for Fluvanna to 3 come into total compliance with the terms of the settlement agreement? 4 5 From my perspective, I thought it would be three to four 6 years that it would take to do that. Part of the --7 I was going to say: Please explain why. 8 Partly because I think staffing is an issue. Okay. 9 Attracting staff is a major issue. We were looking at several 10 different areas. I think as we look at compliance with the settlement agreement, there were 22 areas that we were to work 11 12 We knew that all of those things were not going to happen 13 in one day, one week, overnight. 14 We recognize that as staff turns over, things change. 15 And so we were looking at processes, assessing processes, and 16 fully expected that that was going to take some time. 17 didn't expect that everything that got fixed one day would 18 remain fixed forever. 19 When you are dealing with people and you are dealing 20 with personalities, things change. As we bring on different 21 people, the training process is important. And so those 22 things can have an impact on how we implement processes. 23 Can you speak to how your communications and your 24 discussions and conversations with Dr. Scharff during the

settlement process -- not specifics, but generally -- how that

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   Court for a minute?
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             THE COURT: If she needs to be removed, that's okay.
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             THE COURT: All right. You may resume.
            MS. LONDOS: Thank you, Your Honor.
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   BY MS. LONDOS:
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        Ms. Scott, just before lunch, you were beginning to
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1 process in February 2016 when the settlement agreement was 2 accepted by the Court? 3 Yes. As I started to mention, there were parts of the 4 settlement agreement that required staffing. So we needed to 5 look at having the right people in the right places making 6 decisions about how we move forward with the settlement 7 There were 22 other requirements. Those were agreement. 8 things that we knew we needed to work on over time. And as I 9 mentioned, I think before we recessed, is that people do not 10 remain in one place all the time. And so we are always 11 training. We are always trying to ensure that our 12 expectations are communicated to all staff. 13 Given the size of Fluvanna, we can expect turnover in 14 security, expect turnover in our health care staff, expect 15 turnover in administration. We're having to go back time and 16 again to ensure that everybody understands what the 17 expectations are of them. And so those -- some of the things 18 that we looked at also would require money. So we were 19 looking at whether or not we were going to have to go back to 20 the legislature to ask for any additional monies. 21 So it's not a thing that I think happens immediately. 22 We work on those things. We take some steps forward. 23 things get sidetracked because of staffing. So it really is a 24 long haul. And as we look at what happens in our other 25 facilities, it's very similar. It's that everything is not

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   that related to the concept or idea that this was going to be
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   a multiyear process to reach full compliance?
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        Well, throughout the discussion, there were conversations
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   with Dr. Scharff, Dr. Kohl, about how long some of this would
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   take. And I think they were talking in the four- to
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   five-year --
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            MS. CIOLFI: Objection. This is hearsay. Hearsay,
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   Your Honor, what they said about how long it would take.
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   process and what went into it. So with that --
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            MS. CIOLFI: Okay.
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            THE COURT: -- purpose, it's admissible.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Including the conversation with
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   Dr. Scharff about --
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   process, anything that might have happened around her, if it
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   culture. And can you also, in your answer, discuss your
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   experiences with change in culture at VDOC over the decades
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   years. And we're talking about an organization that is
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   statewide. It -- we have today about 12,000 employees.
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   were a law-and-order organization for a long time. And that
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   needed to happen. That's not a criticism of our department.
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   need to accomplish in terms of security, then I think we have
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   an opportunity to have a culture change. And with Director
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   Clarke's appointment, we started looking at reentry. We
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   started looking at a different Department of Corrections.
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   Director Clarke started talking about a healing environment.
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   really looking at the science of corrections, not just doing
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   the things that feel good or doing the things that somehow in
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   our gut we think work. We are looking at: Is there true
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   evidence out there? Are there things that we have seen
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   working? Is there data to support that? And so that takes
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            And it takes time to -- particularly at Fluvanna, we
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   had adversarial relations. We have an adversarial
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1 relationship. And we understand that offenders are going to 2 need to trust us. We need to give them a reason for doing 3 that. We are going to need to trust them. We can make changes with them. And making that happen takes time. 4 5 does not happen immediately. 6 When did Director Clarke join the VDOC? 7 In November of 2010. 8 And he came from Massachusetts. Correct? Okay. 9 Α He came from Massachusetts, yes. 10 You used the term "reentry." So the record is clear, what is reentry? 11 12 Reentry, from our perspective, is helping the offenders learn what they need to learn, develop skill -- both 13 14 interpersonal skills, learn job skills, learn ways of dealing 15 with conflict, learn those ways that will make them successful 16 when they return to the community; that they can access a 17 legitimate economy; that they know how to deal with the public 18 safety arena. 19 Many of them are going to be under supervision. 20 There will be expectations for their behavior and their 21 performance under supervision. But what we want to do is 22 ensure that they do not return to the Department of 23 Corrections. And having said that, that's one of the things 24 that we have been achieving some success with in the

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Department of Corrections.

1 We are number one in the country for the second year in a row in terms of recidivism. Our recidivism is 2 3 22.4 percent. There are states in the country that their 4 recidivism -- meaning those people who are returning to 5 incarceration -- is as high as 60, 62 percent. But we are at 6 22.4 percent. And that's because we are preparing offenders 7 to reenter society. 8 Can you tie that into health care, and specifically 9 health care at Fluvanna, as a component of reducing the recidivism and enhancing reentry into the community? 10 11 Again, I think it's much the same thing. It's helping Α 12 people learn to take care of themselves. It's helping them 13 learn to access the process. 14 We're holding people accountable. That's one of the 15 things that's very important in looking at how we are helping 16 people to reenter society, having that healing environment in 17 our institutions. We are asking people to be ethical. 18 asking people to be respectful. We ask that. And if you read 19 the definition of our healing environment, you will see that 20 it says helping people do this. So it's not just the offender, but it's our staff as well. 21 2.2. So it really is helping that engagement with people 23 in authority. It's helping that engagement to learn how that 24 engagement occurs. And we need to do that with offenders. 25 They do not need to see us as the bad guys.

- 1 Q That culture change that you're discussing was a part of 2 what Director Clarke brought in when he came to VDOC?
- 3 A That is correct.
- 4 Q Okay. And did you consider that a significant element to 5 the settlement agreement?
- 6 A Absolutely. Absolutely. The settlement agreement asks
- 7 us to look at our engagement with offenders as it relates to
- 8 their health care. That absolutely impacts how that's a
- 9 healing environment. And not healing just in terms of health
- 10 care, but healing in terms of engagement.
- 11 Q When you arrived at the conclusion in your mind in
- 12 February 2016 when the Court entered the settlement order that
- 13 this would be a three- to four-year process, was that based
- 14 upon what you had seen in the Department of Corrections over
- 15 the past -- since Director Clarke's arrival?
- 16 A Well, I think it's the history of -- it's not just the
- 17 Department of Corrections. As you look at culture change, it
- 18 takes time. It is not something that happens overnight.
- 19 Certainly, we've seen it with other things that we've
- 20 attempted to accomplish in the department.
- But I think, just looking at my management
- 22 background -- I mean, we have tried to do some other things in
- 23 the department, and they just take time. It takes time
- 24 because of distance, it takes time because of numbers, and it
- 25 takes time just because we are a public safety organization.

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        And I'm not going to ask you for specific numbers, but
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   sort of what -- the size of the Fluvanna population, is that
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   one of the -- where does that fit in VDOC, the 44 facilities,
   in terms of the -- it's the women's prison?
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        We are responsible for more than 30,000 offenders at any
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                Fluvanna represents 1,200 of those.
   given time.
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   responsible for health care for 30,000 people. We have 1,300
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   or so leaving or -- pardon me, 13,000 leaving at any one time.
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   So we are dealing with a lot of offenders, a lot of facilities
   who have very complex health systems as well.
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        And the Court has heard a fair amount of evidence this
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   week about Fluvanna. There are three things I don't think the
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   Court has heard of, and if you could give just sort of a brief
   explanation for what's going on at Fluvanna with the wellness
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   program, the yoga program, and the horticulture program?
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        Well, I -- and I have to give kudos to our warden there.
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   Warden Aldridge has really tried to change the culture in ways
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   that are very different than we have been in the past.
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   looking at -- in fact, he did a presentation, as a matter of
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   fact, as a part of a training program for the Department of
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   Corrections looking specifically at women's issues,
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   recognizing that women offenders are very different than men
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   and how we interact with those offenders should be very
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   different than how we interact with men. And so he has looked
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   at wellness programs.
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In fact, he talked with me one day about providing additional funding so that he could make sure that they have recreation. I have not seen the finished product, but he revamped the gym so that it's not just basketball. That's something that's probably more important to men than it is to women; to get some exercise equipment in there.

He also had a volunteer who was teaching yoga there. He lost that person and spoke with me about additional funding, which I absolutely supported, so that we can continue that process for women.

Q The Court has heard a fair amount of evidence this week about the difficulty in recruiting staff at Fluvanna. And I don't want to rehash what the Court has already heard, but there are some different angles I would like you to discuss.

And that is the location of Fluvanna being in between Charlottesville and Richmond. Has that been an impact on recruiting for really any staff, including medical staff, vis-a-vis or in comparison to some of your more rural institutions?

A Well, let me begin with, before talking about geographically where it's located, just talking about recruitment for corrections specifically. It takes a very specific personality, a personality who wants to come work for corrections. Giving up your freedom when you walk inside that facility, when the doors start to lock and you're not the one

in control of the doors, that's a very different environment.

And so it takes a very -- the right individual, the right personality, to want to do that.

One of the things that we found with younger people who are very engaged with their electronics, with their cell phones, with their iPads, with their laptops, they are not as interested in coming into a place now where those things, essentially, they don't have access to. That impacts how we are able to recruit people.

I will talk specifically about health care. Anywhere around the country as you are looking at health care, they are having difficulty recruiting nurses, recruiting physicians.

And we are certainly no different in corrections. In fact, my perspective is that it's even more difficult in corrections because it's not the ideal work environment. So we have those issues.

And in terms of geography, at Fluvanna in particular, we are competing with two hospitals. We are competing with doctors' offices. We are competing with folks who have the opportunity to offer greater compensation. They have the opportunity to offer greater benefits; not just salary, but even more than that. They can offer different scheduling. And we compete with some places that will allow you to work over the weekend and you get paid for a week, will allow you to work 32, 36 hours and get paid for 40 hours of work. Those

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   are -- some of those things are not things that we are able to
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   do in the Commonwealth, because we don't control those
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   internally in the Department of Corrections.
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             THE COURT: Well, but the Commonwealth controls
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   those. Right?
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                           The Commonwealth does control those.
             THE WITNESS:
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             THE COURT: The Commonwealth runs this prison.
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                                 And they have been the -- well,
             THE WITNESS:
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   the Department of Corrections is one of the agencies of the
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   Commonwealth; that is correct. And so we have been making our
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   case with the agencies of the Commonwealth to try and change
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   things.
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             In fact, one of the things that we have been able to
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   convince the Department of Human Resource Management -- that's
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   an agency outside the Department of Corrections -- is that we
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   needed to offer more money to attract a medical director.
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   we have the highest salary for a state compensation for a
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   medical director. We have been asking them to provide
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   supplements for our nursing staff that are over and above what
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   most other nurses are earning in the Commonwealth.
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   changes are happening.
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            We have talked with the legislature. We have talked
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   with the Department of Planning and Budget. And the director
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   continues to make his case to the legislature that some things
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   need to change in terms of funding, and they are listening.
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             So, yes, that is controlled by the Commonwealth and
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   some things are changing. It's just not controlled internally
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   to the Department of Corrections.
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            THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
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   BY MS. LONDOS:
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        Are private contractors like Armor able to be more
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   creative in some of the compensation packages?
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        They are not only able to be more creative, they can
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   offer higher salaries than we can. They can bring on staff
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   much more quickly than we can. We have some approval
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   processes in the Commonwealth for filling positions.
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            Again, it is a way to control budgeting, but we have
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   to get approvals before we can fill some positions. We have
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   to advertise. It has to be a competitive process. So we
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   cannot have any process that looks on its face to be
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   discriminatory. So we have to advertise for a certain period
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   of time. And those things are different than a private
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   contractor who can bring on people as they choose.
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        Thank you. Ms. Scott, I would like to bring us back to
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   February 2016 when the Court entered the order approving the
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   settlement agreement. And I think we have established earlier
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   you were very much a part of that process. Correct?
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        Am I correct that you were designated immediately thereon
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- 1 for being responsible for taking the immediate steps to
- 2 implement the settlement agreement?
- 3 A Because health services reported to me, yes, I was
- 4 responsible.
- 5 Q Okay. And then you were involved in the national search
- 6 for a new director of health services. Correct?
- 7 A Back in 2015, when I received notice that Fred Schilling,
- 8 who was the health services director, was retiring, I
- 9 advertised the position. I interviewed several people for the
- 10 position, decided that they were not what I was looking for in
- 11 terms of qualities to both manage the settlement agreement but
- 12 manage health care across the department.
- I readvertised the position, did a nationwide search,
- 14 engaged the American Correctional Association as well, seeking
- 15 candidates for that position.
- 16 Q And that position was director of health services.
- 17 Correct?
- 18 A That position is director of health services.
- 19 Q And was it your intention when that position was filled,
- 20 that person would be tasked with implementing the settlement
- 21 agreement, or being the point person, I should say?
- 22 A That was one -- that was a major function. And it's
- 23 something that I asked about in the interview, what the
- 24 background and skills were of the person who would take over
- 25 that position.

- Q And after a national search and then readvertising for
- 2 it, did you have a candidate?
- 3 A Yes. We hired a Virginian at that point, Dr. Steve
- 4 Herrick, who at that point was working at Piedmont.
- 5 Q And in hiring -- was hiring Dr. Herrick part -- one
- 6 aspect of what VDOC was doing to implement the settlement
- 7 agreement? Hiring somebody competent with experience to
- 8 execute?

- 9 A Yes, it absolutely was. In fact, I asked, as I said,
- 10 specific questions about implementing the requirements of the
- 11 settlement agreement. Dr. Herrick testified to his --
- 12 testified; pardon me -- interviewed. And he answered
- 13 questions related to the Department of Justice working with
- 14 issues at Central State Hospital and how he had managed that
- 15 process. So his background and his skills were very much what
- 16 we were looking for to manage the settlement agreement at
- 17 Fluvanna.
- 18 Q Did you talk to references and others in the community
- 19 about Dr. Herrick to establish his credentials and his skills
- 20 before hiring him?
- 21 A Yes, I did. In fact, for -- our background unit usually
- 22 does the background study for candidates for positions. In
- 23 this case, I made the reference checks myself for
- 24 Dr. Herrick's position.
- 25 Q And the response was?

- 1 A They were excellent. I talked with an assistant
- 2 commissioner at Piedmont who had excellent things to say for
- 3 him. In fact, I have folks on my staff in the Department of
- 4 Corrections who actually worked for and with Dr. Herrick, who
- 5 also had excellent things to say about his background.
- 6 Q Now, Dr. Herrick didn't arrive at VDOC until March 2016.
- 7 Correct?
- 8 A March 25 was his hire date.
- 9 Q So before he arrived, were you the, for lack of a better
- 10 term, point person for the settlement agreement?
- 11 A I was the point person for the settlement agreement. We
- 12 did have an acting health services director, who is
- 13 Dr. Fuller, who was responsible really for managing
- 14 administrative processes, but I took responsibility for the
- 15 settlement agreement at Fluvanna.
- 16 Q And did you have a series of meetings from February to
- 17 May 2016, so for the first, say, about four months after the
- 18 Court entered the order, laying out the VDOC plan for
- 19 executing the settlement agreement?
- 20 A Actually, the first meeting was before the Court entered
- 21 the order. And I took a team of our unit heads, so had senior
- 22 and executive staff of the Department of Corrections. There
- 23 were 30 to 35 of them at any given time.
- It was my plan to ensure that everybody understood
- 25 what the settlement agreement said. Looking at -- critiquing

- 1 our agency, looking at what we needed to do, how we needed to
- 2 function, to ensure that we accomplished what was required in
- 3 the settlement agreement.
- 4 Q Now, Ms. Scott, I have put in front of you, or it has
- 5 been put in front of you, Exhibit 14 that has already been
- 6 entered into evidence. And I'm going to ask you a few
- 7 questions about the documents.
- 8 And Exhibit 14 is a series of meeting minutes that
- 9 stretch for a long period of time. I'm going to start with
- 10 Exhibit 14. It's under Tab 1, RFP 4-831.
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Do you see that document?
- 13 A Yes, I do.
- 14 Q Okay. And are you familiar with that document?
- 15 A Yes I am.
- 16 Q Okay. And is that a 15-page document?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Okay. And we are not going to go through all 15 pages,
- 19 but I will again reference for the record it's Exhibit 14.
- 20 It's under Tab 1. It begins at RFP 4-831.
- 21 What is this document?
- 22 A We had the operations manager at Fluvanna capture the
- 23 essence of the meeting we had on February 3 of 2016. What I
- 24 asked people to do is talk about what we needed to do to
- 25 implement the settlement agreement, to talk about what our

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   deficiencies are, what our strong points are. Do we need to
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   continue exactly as we were going? Did we need to do
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   something different? I think we began the discussion at that
   point. Do we want to take over Fluvanna? That was part of
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   the discussion. Do we want the Commonwealth to provide health
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   care at Fluvanna? Do we want to continue with Armor and
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   continue with Armor as-is?
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             I think we began the discussion at that point of a
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   hybrid model as well so that we are the responsible parties on
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   the ground -- we are the responsible parties overall, but on
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   the ground at Fluvanna -- and use Armor as a staffing agency.
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   So we were looking at all the -- what's in the best interest
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   of Fluvanna at this point that gets us to accomplishing the
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   things that are in the settlement agreement.
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        It absolutely did. We not only criticized ourselves, we
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   criticized Armor. We were looking for, what are those things
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   that are going to create issues for the Department of
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   Corrections? What are those things that are going to create
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   issues for the delivery of health services?
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   documenting the meeting of February 3, 2016, was to try and
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   put down everything that was working less than perfectly?
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What can we build on? So it's a number of things.

- 1 looking -- it's also looking at, how do we implement some
- 2 things? What do we need to do?
- 3 Q And if we could just flip through and -- let me ask you:
- 4 You said how many people were involved in this meeting, these
- 5 meetings? Ballpark, not exact.
- 6 A 30 to 35 at any given time.
- 7 Q And the Court heard earlier from Marsha Stanford. Was
- 8 she involved?
- 9 A Yes, she was. We invited her as one of our really
- 10 productive nurses, high-performing nurses, to give some
- 11 critical feedback to us about what the processes were at
- 12 Fluvanna. So she was critiquing service delivery. She was
- 13 critiquing documentation. She was looking at our processes to
- 14 make recommendations, yes.
- 15 Q And she was HSA, health services authority, at Wallens
- 16 Ridge?
- 17 A At Wallens Ridge State Prison, yes.
- 18 Q And Wallens Ridge is located where?
- 19 A It's located in Big Stone Gap.
- 20 Q Okay. And it has close to 900, 1,000 offenders?
- 21 A Off the top of my head, I don't remember, but yes. It's
- 22 a significant male institution. It's one of our maximum
- 23 security facilities.
- 24 Q Did you discuss -- and I'm looking on page 3 of that
- 25 report. Was there a discussion about transitioning from LPNs

to RNs? 1 2 Α Yes. 3 And so that was a discussion early on. Correct? That's correct. 4 Α 5 Was there a discussion about recruitment and hiring on 6 pages 4 and 5? And again, I'll -- just to give the Court an 7 idea of the issues that were discussed. 8 Yes. And those were specifically related to how we were 9 going to provide service under the different models. 10 So if we were to take over delivery of -- direct delivery of services at Fluvanna, what did we need to do to 11 12 make that happen? And so we looked at, how do we draw people 13 into corrections? So we looked at job fairs, advertisements. 14 We looked at if we were going to do some contracts and not 15 others so that -- I mean, we have individual contracts, some 16 with physicians, some for dialysis, some for imaging. Those 17 sorts of things. So we started looking at what the issues 18 were. 19 You'll see we talked about sign-on bonuses and 20 referrals. Can we entice some people to our agency by paying 21 them to come work for us? Can we entice other people to 22 recruit for us by paying sign-on bonuses? 23 We talked about bringing in community stakeholders, 24 so looking at those people in and around Fluvanna County to

see what impact they would have on bringing people to the

1 facility. We realized we had an image issue at Fluvanna, and 2 bringing in the stakeholders would help us do that. So we 3 were exploring lots of different ways to make that happen. And on page 9, was there a discussion about a plan for 4 5 training? And what happened with this group of 30 is once we 6 7 start identifying those things that we would need to look at 8 if we were going to take over, but look at also in terms of 9 how we implement the settlement agreement. Certain people were given responsibilities for looking at some things. 10 11 Training was one. We looked at recruitment. 12 looked at compensation. So we looked at a number of things, 13 and there were leaders from that group who had subcommittee 14 meetings and making recommendations to us for how we proceed. 15 So these meetings generated other action plans and groups 16 of people in their various areas of expertise? 17 That is correct. Α 18 Okay. And if I could direct your attention to page 13, 19 this is sort of, again, another summary of the different 20 strategies that -- and ideas that VDOC was exploring, I think 21 even --2.2 That is correct. Joe Walters is our human resources 23 director, and he and his staff were a part of this, along with

And the -- the final page of this report was -- well, can

the human resources staff at Fluvanna.

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you explain the final page of this report?

A Okay. What we wanted to do was identify those things that we were concerned about. And we got feedback from a number of people. The executive staff for Fluvanna was a part of this process as well. And so as we had the experts — we had the Marsha Stanfords of corrections. We had the warden from Fluvanna. We had our regional nurses there who provide some oversight in other areas. So they were bringing knowledge from other facilities about what was going on. We have a contract monitor there.

Those people were engaged in that discussion. And they were suggesting that we need to look at informal complaints. In fact, I did some specific training with staff myself in that regard, because we did not like the way some of the staff were responding to offender complaints. It was not creating a healing environment. It was also not very helpful. And so that was one of the areas that we wanted to address.

We wanted to address the pill line. We tried different things to address that. Sick call, medications not being received, chronic care; we knew we had issues in those areas. And we were talking about how we were going to address those and talking with Armor. Those are the things that we wanted to address with Armor as we were moving forward in the process as well.

Q And then was the next time the group gathered on

February 10?

- 2 A That's correct.
- $3 \mid Q$ And just for the record, this is again Exhibit 14, Tab 2,
- 4 beginning at RFP 4-846. And the document generated in
- 5 connection with that meeting was 18 pages long. Correct?
- 6 I think the record will show it's 18 pages long.
- 7 A Yes, that's correct.
- 8 Q Thank you.
- 9 A I had to get through 18.
- 10 Q Right. And this document, is it a continuation of the
- 11 meeting last week, identifying areas and coming up with action
- 12 plans for attacking each of those areas?
- 13 A That is correct. I asked people at the end of the
- 14 meeting on the 3rd to start thinking about how we do some of
- 15 the things that we talked about doing, what more information
- 16 we needed on some of the things that we had mentioned in that
- 17 meeting on the 3rd.
- 18 Q Okay. There is another reference to the LPN issue. And
- 19 you are familiar with that issue. Correct?
- 20 A Yes, I am.
- 21 Q You've had discussions, or you are aware of discussions,
- 22 with Dr. Scharff about the issues of LPNs doing certain tasks?
- 23 A Correct.
- 24 Q Okay. I want to be very clear: Can you advise or
- 25 testify to VDOC's position on that and then VDOC's reaction to

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   Dr. Scharff's recommendation that LPNs not be permitted to do
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   certain tasks?
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   difficulty, or Armor -- I said "we," but Armor is part of us.
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   We certainly accept that we are collaborative in this process.
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   the Department of Corrections in the sites that we are
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   responsible for had difficulty attracting RNs to the
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   Department of -- to health services in the Department of
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   Corrections.
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            And so there were some things that LPNs were -- some
   services that LPNs were providing services for in our
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   institution that Dr. Scharff took issue with. He thought that
   there were some things that RNs should be responsible for.
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   because there was some question about whether or not nurses
   were practicing beyond their licenses as LPNs.
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   certainly don't think -- as the licensing agency, we don't get
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   to make that call, but our research indicated that they could
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   do what we had asked them to. However, our position, which is
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   your question, is: Then what do we do with that information?
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   Dr. Scharff about that. If his position was that he wanted
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   RNs doing it, then that's what we were directing our people to
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- 1 do.
- 2 Q Okay. And was that in your ongoing efforts to reach
- 3 total compliance with the settlement agreement?
- 4 A That is correct.
- 5 Q And that was your goal. Correct?
- 6 A Yes. That is correct.
- 7 Q As you were having these first few meetings that you've
- 8 discussed, did you continue to believe that this was going to
- 9 be a three- to four-year process to reach complete compliance?
- 10 A Yes, I did.
- 11 Q If I could direct your attention to page 15 of that
- 12 document. That's RFP 4-861. I just note -- I will wait.
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q The heading is "Incremental Process." Is that consistent
- 15 | with --
- 16 A It's consistent with my thinking that this was going to
- 17 take some time. But, again, it's my belief just based on my
- 18 history that things don't change overnight. And we were
- 19 looking at, what things did we need to see to suggest to us
- 20 that things were changing and things were improving?
- 21 Q Okay. And I just -- the efforts in these early months to
- 22 address the terms of the settlement agreement, were they just
- 23 getting together every few weeks and have a meeting, or were
- 24 there people taking action and investigating and moving
- 25 forward on the items identified in these documents?

- A Absolutely. And we continued some engagement with Armor in this process. So we were making recommendations to them for things that we wanted to see, things that we suggested change. We were looking at ourselves as an agency about things that we needed to do as well.
 - We got our senior staff out. We had Dr. Fuller, who is our chief pharmacist at Fluvanna, offering assistance. I think we asked for some additional training from Sapphire for managing meds and documenting that information. We had our regional nurses, as I indicated. They were there on the ground offering suggestions.
- 12 Q If I could turn your attention to the Tab 3 in
- 13 Exhibit 14. That reflects your meeting of February 23, 2016?
- 14 A Yes.

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- 15 Q That's the third formal meeting of this large group of
- 16 people that you had convened?
- 17 A That is correct.
- 18 Q And if you will turn on the second page of that document,
- 19 there's discussions about hybrid, and then at the bottom of
- 20 page 3, the hybrid and taking over. Can you explain what the
- 21 analysis was or what the discussion was at that time near the
- 22 end of February, February 23 in particular?
- 23 A Again, we were still talking about what makes sense in
- 24 terms of accomplishing what we wanted to accomplish at
- 25 Fluvanna.

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         They were reporting back about things that they saw.
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   And we had not made any decision at that point, but we were
   still looking at what the possibilities were. So looking at,
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   deliver health services, armor providing health services
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   alone, or again, corrections taking over completely?
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   report. And I'm going to -- does that reflect a meeting that
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   was held on that same day with Armor?
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   the meeting at the gym. And we shared with them what our
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   discussions had been, talking with them about what our
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   expectations are, and talking about the settlement agreement.
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        And -- well, your expectations vis-a-vis the settlement
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   agreement?
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        Right. Correct.
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        Correct. And how would you characterize Armor's reaction
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   to the requests and, really, demands made by VDOC throughout
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   this process?
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        In this meeting on the 23rd and at every meeting
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   afterwards, every engagement that I have had with Armor, they
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   have been very collaborative. All of our meetings have -- I
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   mean, we have been critical about some processes, and they
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   have been responsive.
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            When we said we didn't have enough staff, they
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   started looking at how to address that. When I asked them to
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   meet with us, there was never any question about that. I
   found our relationship collaborative. And until today they
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   continue to work with us when we are raising issues.
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   is -- reflects the meeting of March 23, 2016. And that's at
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   RFP 4-803. Are you there?
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        Okay. And if you could turn to page 2 of that document,
   can you tell the Court what this document is? And for the
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   record, it's RFP 4-805.
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        Those were the goals that we were looking at. These were
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   the things that we were evaluating as an agency. So looking
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   at staffing, looking at the nurses' training, looking at desk
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            One of the things that we wanted was to be sure that
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   our nurses understood how they operated inside of our
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   facility. So wanting desk procedures documented so anybody
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   who comes in -- again, as I think I testified earlier, we had
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   a lot of agency nurses there. Wanted to be sure that
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   everybody understands what the expectations were in terms of
   their provider.
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            Let's see. Charts. Documentation was one of the
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   things that we looked at. Medications had been an issue.
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we looked at ordering medications and ensuring that medications were available.

Sort of generally, those are the kinds of things that we said we wanted to see -- we wanted to see some substantial improvements on, substantial accomplishments in terms of whether or not we were going to remain with Armor or we were going to do something else in terms of providing health care at Fluvanna.

- Q Was there another meeting -- and I'm directing your attention to Tab 8 at RFP 4-817. Was there another meeting on April 14?
- 12 A Yes.

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- Q Okay. And was there a discussion with Armor about -- in fact, I think it may have been before this meeting, but about
- expectations and a deadline for elevating performance?
- 16 A That is correct. And we -- the deadline, I think -- back 17 on the measurable -- was April 30 that we wanted to see
- 19 Q And that was conveyed to Armor?

substantial improvement.

- 20 A Yes.
- 21 0 And what was the result of that?
- 22 A It was our assessment at the end of the process -- we had
- 23 those folks who were involved in the meeting, but basically
- 24 the clinical staff were, I think, the leaders in this process,
- 25 giving feedback on what they saw and whether or not they

- 1 believed that Armor was moving in the right direction. And it
- 2 was our expectation that by April 30 they would complete their
- 3 assessments and share with us what their thinking was about
- 4 how they were moving forward.
- 5 Q And just to be clear: While you were a deputy director,
- 6 you were relying upon the clinical management team employed by
- 7 VDOC to advise you on that?
- 8 A That is correct.
- 9 Q So the decision was made approximately when to continue
- 10 with Armor and not either take over or adopt the hybrid model?
- 11 When was --
- 12 A It was made after the 30th, because the clinical reports
- 13 were due to me after April 30. And their recommendations were
- 14 due at that point.
- 15 Q So in May of 2016 is when that decision was made?
- 16 A That is correct.
- 17 Q And at that time, did you transition the primary
- 18 responsibility for overseeing implementation of the settlement
- 19 agreement to Dr. Herrick?
- 20 A Yes, I did, because from March 25 on, he was a part of
- 21 that planning process at Fluvanna. And when we decided to
- 22 continue with Armor, the reins were turned over to him.
- 23 Q Okay. Now, I would like to talk generally about the one
- 24 year or so from when the reins were turned over to Dr. Herrick
- 25 in May of 2016 until the summer of 2017, so generally that

1 period. 2 Did you still stay involved in monitoring the status 3 and the progress of implementation of the settlement agreement? 4 5 Yes, I did. And just to provide a little bit of 6 background on that, of course, as we have mentioned, 7 Dr. Herrick joined the department on March 25, 2016. I'm his 8 supervisor. I had a responsibility to ensure that his 9 orientation happened to the Department of Corrections. 10 think as I mentioned earlier, while we have those 1,200 women 11 that we are responsible for at Fluvanna, he had a 12 responsibility for providing health care to 30,000 offenders 13 who are in the Department of Corrections. And so we spent 14 time on the road together. 15 We were traveling to Big Stone Gap and to Grundy and 16 to central Virginia, to southside Virginia. investigating what was happening at our other facilities as 17 18 And we spent a lot of time in a vehicle together, and well. 19 we were talking about Fluvanna a good bit of that time. 20 during the process, we were always meeting about Fluvanna. 21 That was the priority on our list, because that's where the 2.2 settlement agreement was. 23 We don't have those other -- we don't have a 24 settlement agreement anyplace else. We have some issues other 25 places, and we are addressing those issues as well, but we

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- don't have a settlement agreement anyplace else. So Fluvanna definitely got the attention.
- Q How would you describe the support that Director Clarke gave to you in your role in implementing the settlement agreement?
- A He was very supportive. There's not anything that I
 asked of him in terms of resources that he did not agree to
 allow.
- 9 Q Were there any developments generally in late 2015
 10 that -- into 2016 that impacted the VDOC offender population
 11 in terms of acuity levels of some of the offenders?
 - A I think what you are alluding to there is in August of 2015 was the death of Jamycheal Mitchell in the Tidewater jail. And as a result of that, what we saw was the jails asking very specifically for us to move the sicker offenders from their jails into the Department of Corrections, those state-responsible offenders.
 - So our numbers went up in terms of the offenders with illnesses coming into the Department of Corrections.
- Q So just so we are clear: You saw an influx of sick offenders from jails coming into the VDOC system?
- A Yes. Well, they were coming in sooner. These were
 state-responsible offenders. So at some point in time they --
- 24 I'm sure some of them would have come to the Department of
- 25 Corrections. But with the scrutiny that jails were getting,

- those sicker offenders came to us much more quickly. We got requests, and we responded to those and we brought them in.
 - Q And that included at Fluvanna?
- 4 A That included at Fluvanna.

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- 5 Q How were you keeping updated with the progress of the 6 settlement, the implementation of the settlement agreement, 7 over that year from the summer of '16 to the summer of '17?
- 9 communicating on a regular basis with Dr. Herrick. Correct?

You have discussed that you had -- you were

- 10 A That's correct. So a number of things were going on to
- 11 keep me updated. There were regular meetings. There were
- 12 minutes of those meetings. Dr. Herrick and I engaged on a
- 13 regular basis. I visited Fluvanna.
- 14 Q Overall in that year, summer of 2016 to summer of 2017,
- 15 you were aware that there were -- continued to be some issues
- 16 | with staffing. Correct?
- 17 A Yes, I was aware of that.
- 18 O And with some of the clinical issues. Correct?
- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q How did you view that year in terms of the timetable that
- 21 you discussed earlier of the three- to four-year process to
- 22 get there? Did you feel like that was part of the process?
- 23 A I did not expect everything to be perfect. So did I
- 24 expect that there were going to be setbacks? Yes, I did. But
- 25 we were evaluating those along the way. And I think you

will -- you will see from some of the things that we did, we were trying to offer some assistance. And we continued to talk about, what do we do at this stage? Should we do something different? So the conversation was ongoing about what we did at Fluvanna.

We started to notice some turnover in management positions. That was something that was clearly on our radar, and eventually it got us to the point in '17 that we thought we needed to be in charge of management of the clinical staff at Fluvanna, or the nursing staff.

- 11 Q So I think you are referring to some developments or some
- discussions in the summer of 2017?

 13 A That is correct. There had been turnover in some -- in
- 14 the nursing -- the nursing supervisor's position to the point
- 15 that we were no longer comfortable that we could maintain that
- 16 leadership there, and we knew we needed to have leadership
- 17 staff there. And Dr. Herrick and I started talking about how
- 18 we'd make that happen.
- 19 Q And let me just back up for one minute. You are familiar
- 20 with what have been called the weekly meeting minutes.
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- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q And I think that's in as Defendant's Exhibit 12. And I
- 24 believe the Court earlier heard Warden Aldridge sort of show
- 25 some examples of those meeting minutes.

- 1 Would you get those?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q Every week?
- 4 A I received those minutes.
- 5 Q And would you read those every week?
- 6 A Yes, I would read those minutes.
- 7 Q Would you read them closely? Would you study those? You
- 8 kept engaged with the status of Fluvanna through those
- 9 minutes. Correct?
- 10 A And let me say there that most of that was not any
- 11 surprise. As I said, Dr. Herrick was keeping me up-to-date.
- 12 So I was not reading minutes to be surprised about what
- 13 happened.
- 14 Q Okay. So let's bring us to the summer of 2017. Can you
- 15 tell us what happened, the discussions that happened, in the
- 16 summer of 2017? I think you were beginning -- beginning
- 17 there.
- 18 A Yes. Dr. Herrick had come to me because of the inability
- 19 to maintain the leadership, particularly for the nursing staff
- 20 at Fluvanna, and said, It's time for us to look at doing
- 21 something differently. And I certainly concurred with that
- 22 thinking, and we started to think about what that looks like.
- 23 Q And was there a change in or a departure of some
- 24 leadership at Armor at Fluvanna around that time? Did that
- 25 prompt that discussion?

- A There was some turnover. That's correct.
- Q Okay. So continue with your discussions with Dr. Herrick about what the options were.
- A Well, one of the things that we talked about was whether
 or not -- well, we had talked about whether or not we would
 take over, but we eventually said, Let's look at whether or
- 7 not we should be doing things differently. And we talked
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- 9 MS. ELLIS: Your Honor, if I may: This is cumulative of what Dr. Herrick testified about on Wednesday.
- THE COURT: Okay. But overrule your objection if it is one.
- Go ahead.
- A Okay. And so what we started thinking was, taking over
 the leadership is one thing, but are there other things out
 there that we had not considered? And so we were talking
 about creative ideas. Are there other ways to provide health
 services at Fluvanna that we have not considered?
 - And we started talking about offering some incentive to change the thinking, to look at how we provide services there. And we met with our my financial staff to talk about what we could offer in terms of a financial incentive to do that. And we settled on the \$3 million that I think has been testified to as a way to get people to think differently, to think creatively.

1 We have two contractors; we have Armor and Mediko. 2 We can change their contracts. We can expand their contracts 3 with the way that they have been structured to do some things 4 without going back to do another RFP. And so we offered to 5 both of them at that point the \$3 million: Come back to us, 6 suggest if there are things that we can do more or differently 7 at Fluvanna. 8 BY MS. LONDOS: 9 Okay. And just to be clear, when you are saying 10 "\$3 million," that's \$3 million additional that would be put 11 into health care at Fluvanna beyond the amount already being 12 spent? 13 That is correct. And those discussions where you arrived at the \$3 million 14 figure, those occurred in June of 2017? 16 We began that -- now, we -- again, we have been talking 17 about what we've seen at Fluvanna in terms of staffing. 18 have been talking about what we have seen in terms of -- what 19 we had seen in terms of things that we want to change. 20 We started talking about the dollars that we wanted 21 to set aside at that point. So that was certainly not the 22 beginning of a discussion about changing, because that discussion has continued. 23 24 Has Dr. Scharff's analysis and Dr. Scharff's 25 interpretation of some of the more subjective language in the

- settlement agreement played a role in the ongoing analysis?
- 2 A Yes. There are things in the settlement agreement that
- 3 are not specific. Staffing is one of them. It says "adequate
- 4 staffing." His notion of adequate staffing and ours aren't
- 5 necessarily the same. And so we are engaging all the time in
- 6 what it is he expects to see so that he thinks that we are in
- 7 compliance with the agreement.
- 8 Q Could you speak to, just briefly, the -- expanding on
- 9 that, that the evolution of VDOC's thought process on the
- 10 settlement agreement relied in part on the feedback that
- 11 Dr. Scharff was giving over time?
- 12 A Yes. I'm not sure what more I would say about that, but
- 13 we were reading his reports. We were considering his
- 14 criticisms of us. We were considering what he said was
- 15 positive. And we considered him the authority on the
- 16 settlement agreement in terms of what his expectations were in
- 17 terms of corrections.
- 18 Q And did you approach Director Clarke for his approval of
- 19 this idea of adding \$3 million?
- 20 A Yes.

- 21 Q And the response?
- 22 A And he did approve it. As I said, he has not denied
- 23 anything that we have requested.
- 24 Q And that was in June and July of 2017?
- 25 A That is correct.

- 1 Q So letters -- and they are in evidence, Your Honor --
- 2 letters went to Armor and Mediko?
- 3 A That's correct. We drafted those letters on September 8.
- 4 I think they were actually delivered on September 27.
- 5 Q And the letters are in the file. But generally, what was
- 6 being requested of Armor and Mediko?
- 7 A We asked them to make some recommendations to us for
- 8 providing services at Fluvanna. And we were specifically
- 9 vague about that, because we did not want to taint what they
- 10 were saying. We wanted some creative ideas about providing
- 11 services.
- 12 Q And what was the response, or what was the ultimate
- 13 decision after receiving a response from Armor and Mediko?
- 14 A We decided that they were not creative ideas that had not
- 15 been considered.
- 16 Q So what did you do then?
- 17 A We decided -- at that point, Dr. Herrick was starting to
- 18 talk about taking over the leadership of Fluvanna. And he
- 19 came up with a model. Off the top of my head I don't remember
- 20 that date, but he came up with a model for leadership for
- 21 corrections to take over the leadership of the clinical staff.
- 22 Q And so to be clear, the upper level health care
- 23 management at Fluvanna would be VDOC employees?
- 24 A That is correct.
- 25 Q And then the -- more of the charge nurses, the line

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nurses, would be from agency and from Armor?
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- 2 A There were actually three layers of supervision that
 3 would have been Department of Corrections employees. And we
 4 were essentially talking about using Armor as a staffing
 5 agency.
 - And we had shared that information with Armor and with the Armor staff there. In fact, Armor leadership met with us when we met with the employees to tell them what we were thinking.
- 10 Q And is that where Fluvanna stands today?
- 11 A Yes, it is.

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- 12 Q So today, who is your warden at Fluvanna?
- 13 A Mr. Aldridge, Eric Aldridge, is our warden.
- 14 Q And the health authority and the upper level nurses are?
- 15 A Are Marsha Stanford and Ellen Katzman.
- 16 Q They have all testified today.
- As the deputy director of VDOC with oversight of
 health services, including health care at Fluvanna, what are
 your feelings today about the leadership at Fluvanna?
- 20 A I think we have excellent people in place to lead
- 21 Fluvanna. But as I said earlier, staff turns over. These are
- 22 excellent, excellent nurses. And I can imagine people
- 23 recruiting them. So, I mean, we are doing things. We are
- 24 thinking about how we can keep them engaged at Fluvanna.
- 25 We're offering supplemental salary to keep them at Fluvanna.

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   are very pleased with them, and they are able to bring in some
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   additional staff that we have been struggling to do before.
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   to have the qualifications that we are looking for. I expect
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   us to be working hard to do that. But if I expected
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   perfection, I would be in the wrong place, because that's not
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            MS. LONDOS: The Court's indulgence.
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            At this time, I would simply like to show the witness
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   the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections standards
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   dated December 11 through 13, 2017, from the ACA, ask her
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   to -- unless there is no objection, to confirm that this is
   the ACA accreditation, and move this into evidence.
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            Is there any objection?
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            MS. CIOLFI: No objection, Your Honor.
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            MS. LONDOS: Okay. Thank you. And so this will be
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   Defendant's 39.
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            THE COURT: It will be admitted.
            THE CLERK: I'm sorry, what number?
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            MS. LONDOS: 39.
              (Defendant Exhibit Number 39 was marked and
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            MS. LONDOS: I would also like to move into evidence
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   a notebook of emails that were exchanged on the ADA policy
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   issue between the Office of the Attorney General and
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            As Your Honor knows, the settlement agreement
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   required there to be an ADA policy that was collaboratively
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   agreed on and worked on, and this is simply evidence of that
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   effort on both sides. It was disclosed previously.
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            MS. CIOLFI: And Your Honor, we do object to that.
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   The ADA has not been a subject of this hearing this week. We
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   informed defendants prior to the hearing that we would not be
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   calling Mr. Marono, who is their ADA expert, and we did not
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   intend to put on evidence of violations of the ADA policy.
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            MS. LONDOS: Yeah. We simply want it into evidence
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   as evidence of the defendants' efforts to comply with the
   settlement agreement, as Exhibit 40.
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            THE COURT: Well, can't the witness just say that?
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            MS. LONDOS: Well, it was a fairly extensive process
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   with fairly extensive effort on the defendants' part. And
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   the -- this notebook --
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            THE COURT: Is that one of the problems in the case?
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            MS. LONDOS: No, certainly, but to the extent the
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   Court is being asked to hold the defendants in contempt, it is
   evidence of the efforts made by the defendants on an element
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   of the settlement agreement.
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            THE COURT: Well, how many pages is that? Am I
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   supposed to read it? How many pages is it?
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            MS. LONDOS: It looks to be an inch and a half.
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   simply the evidence of the emails back and forth.
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   it will be admitted.
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            MS. LONDOS: Thank you, Your Honor. No further
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   questions for Ms. Scott. Please answer any questions by the
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            THE COURT:
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   inmates at Fluvanna, how many are these sort of medical
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   they meet the criteria for needing more medical care than the
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   average prisoner in the general population?
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            THE WITNESS: You mean the number?
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            THE COURT: Yes.
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            THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I'm sorry. I don't know
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   the number off the top of my head. But for -- the sickest
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   inmates get moved from other -- we have three other -- four
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   other female facilities. And if they are sick, they all get
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   moved to Fluvanna. So they do -- the sicker ones get moved to
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            THE COURT: Well, there are other inmates there who
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   could be out in the general prison population?
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            THE WITNESS: That is correct, yes.
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            THE COURT: And you don't know the percentage?
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            THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I do not know that off the
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   top of my head. I would not like to testify to that.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Go ahead.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Thank you, Your Honor.
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                          CROSS-EXAMINATION
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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        Good afternoon, Ms. Scott. Now, you have been with the
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- 1 Department of Corrections since 1973?
- 2 A That is correct.
- 3 Q And you have been in your current position as deputy
- 4 director for the division of administration since 2002?
- 5 A Correct.
- 6 Q And so you were in this position in 2012 when the lawsuit
- 7 was filed?
- 8 A Correct.
- 9 Q And you -- and health care services had been moved under
- 10 your chain of command by November 2014 when the lawsuit was
- 11 settled?
- 12 A Correct.
- 13 Q And indeed, you participated in at least one of the
- 14 meetings regarding the settlement?
- 15 A With attorneys, yes. I participated in other meetings
- 16 with Dr. Scharff and Dr. Kohl, but yes, that is correct.
- 17 Q And you were also one of the deciders when Armor got the
- 18 | 2015 comprehensive health services contract?
- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q And you were in this position in 2016 when the consent
- 21 order was entered?
- 22 A Correct.
- 23 Q And you were in this position in 2017 when the show cause
- 24 was filed?
- 25 A Yes. That's correct.

- 1 Q And do you oversee health services? Do you oversee
- 2 health services?
- 3 A Yes. I'm sorry. I thought there was more to the
- 4 question. Yes, I do.
- 5 Q And do you also oversee budget and finance?
- 6 A Yes, I do.
- 7 Q And the responsibility for ensuring that DOC complies
- 8 with the settlement agreement is yours?
- 9 A That is my responsibility.
- 10 Q And even at the beginning, as you testified earlier, you
- 11 were the point person on it?
- 12 A That's correct.
- 13 Q You supervise Dr. Herrick?
- 14 A I do.
- 15 Q And you report directly to Director Clarke?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q And you are peers in the hierarchy with Mr. Robinson?
- 18 A Correct.
- 19 Q Now, earlier, before lunch, I believe you and Ms. Londos
- 20 talked a little bit about task analysis?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And task analysis is what the department does to create a
- 23 staffing plan?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q And I believe you described all the things that went into

- 1 task analysis at the time of the 2015 RFP?
- 2 A That is correct.
- 3 Q And you recall that you were -- that you were deposed as
- 4 a designation by the Department of Corrections as their
- 5 30(b)(6) designee. Correct?
- 6 A That is correct, yes.
- 7 Q And do you know that Mr. Schilling was also deposed on a
- 8 variety of topics?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And Mr. Schilling was actually designated to talk about
- 11 the 2015 RFP. Correct?
- 12 A That is correct.
- 13 Q And that's because he was actually the person who was
- 14 creating the RFP and developing the contract at the time.
- 15 | Correct?
- 16 A I did not have any participation in the creation of the
- 17 RFP. It really was the contract.
- 18 Q So that was Mr. Schilling?
- 19 A Yes. That's correct.
- 20 Q And he was also designated for the creation of staff
- 21 planning at Fluvanna?
- 22 A That's correct.
- 23 Q And that's because he is the one who oversaw the creation
- 24 of a staffing plan for Fluvanna since it was opened?
- 25 A He was the health services director. That is correct.

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   responsible for overseeing the creation of a staffing plan?
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   creation of a staffing plan for Fluvanna in the 2015 RFP to be
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   authoritative. Correct?
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            MS. CIOLFI: This is Mr. Schilling's 30(b)(6)
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   deposition at page 39.
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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        So when I deposed Mr. Schilling, I asked him:
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             "Question: Do you remember the last time that the
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   task analysis and comparative analysis was done for Fluvanna?
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            And his answer was, "Probably 2010, somewhere along
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   there."
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             "Question: Well, was it done in -- so can I assume
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   it wasn't done before this RFP in 2015?" And his answer was:
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             "Answer: Yes. We did not do it then." And I asked:
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             "Question:
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   2015 RFP and the previous RFP for Fluvanna?" And he said:
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             "Answer: Probably some, a little bit." And then
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   later I asked him:
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   the staffing plan in light of the Fluvanna lawsuit? And his
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   answer was:
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             "Answer: None, to my knowledge."
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            And so, in fact, a task analysis was not done in the
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   creation of the 2015 RFP. Correct?
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   been done. So I can't speak to that testimony, other than if
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   he was talking about -- I mean, I can't speak to it.
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             I know that we had done an emergency RFP when we
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   task analysis being done.
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   was the designee, the corporate designee, for the Department
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            MS. LONDOS:
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   foundation.
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            THE COURT:
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            MS. LONDOS: There is no foundation to ask if
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            MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, I'm ready to move on.
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            THE COURT: I don't see why you need to ask her about
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   his testimony.
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            MS. CIOLFI: I'm ready to move on.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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        Now, Ms. Scott, you have been high up in DOC for long
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   enough that you sometimes get to interact with the general
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   assembly. Correct?
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   on the Department of Corrections?
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        And DOC, in fact, is feeling a lot of cost pressures,
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   such as addressing a major shortage in correctional staff; is
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   that correct?
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        We have been making requests to the legislature for
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   compensation for our staff. Numbers, we asked for years, but
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   a major shortage -- I would not testify to that, but certainly
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   we have made several requests for compensation specifically
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   for our corrections officers.
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        And that's compensation to attract and retain
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   correctional staff?
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        Yes, correct.
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- 1 Q And you asked for extra money for Fluvanna to be included
- 2 in the governor's introduced budget for this year; is that
- 3 right?
- 4 A That's correct.
- 5 Q But it was -- and that was so that you would not have to
- 6 eat that amount permanently?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q But it was not included in the governor's --
- 9 A It was not included.
- 10 Q And so that money has to come from elsewhere in DOC?
- 11 A That is correct.
- 12 Q Now, the cost of the health care at the department has
- 13 been a topic of conversation with the legislature. Correct?
- 14 A It has been.
- 15 Q And the legislature has been critical of the cost of
- 16 health care at DOC?
- 17 A Yes, it has.
- 18 Q And in your deposition, you said "indicted" was too
- 19 strong a word. Right?
- 20 A Yes, I did, but -- yes.
- 21 Q What word would you use?
- 22 A We have been criticized, yes.
- 23 Q And, in fact, the department has been directed by a
- 24 number of legislators to look at being more cost-efficient in
- 25 providing health services to offenders, to the women at

1 Fluvanna?

- 2 A There have been several studies. A couple have been done
- 3 by VCU. Certainly one was done internally. I think there was
- 4 at least one other. But, yes, we have been asked to look at
- 5 how we provide services and whether or not what we are doing
- 6 is sufficient. That is correct.
- 7 Q And whether you could provide them at lower cost?
- 8 A Yes. That is correct.
- 9 Q On direct, Ms. Scott, you said you wanted to create -- or
- 10 you wanted to follow Director Clarke's vision of creating a
- 11 healing environment. Correct?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q And that the women at Fluvanna need to trust you; is that
- 14 right?
- 15 A Need to trust our -- if the "you" is the Department of
- 16 Corrections you are mentioning, yes. Absolutely.
- 17 Q And they don't need to see DOC as the bad guys?
- 18 A That is correct.
- 19 Q And you want them to see that DOC wants to do right by
- 20 them?
- 21 A Yes, I do.
- 22 Q And you don't want them to suffer?
- 23 A I do not.
- 24 Q And you don't want them to die?
- 25 A I certainly don't want them to die.

- 1 Q And you knew in 2016 that this was an urgent matter.
- 2 | Correct?
- 3 A This -- I'm not sure what the "this" is.
- 4 Q That the medical issues at Fluvanna was urgent. That's
- 5 why you convened the 2016 meetings. Correct?
- 6 A I convened it because we needed to comply with the
- 7 settlement agreement. Yes.
- 8 Q And so the first one was on February 3. Correct?
- 9 A That is correct.
- 10 Q And somebody at the meeting notes that Fluvanna is under
- 11 the gun from the courts?
- 12 A Correct.
- 13 Q And that was three days before the Court entered the
- 14 order. Correct?
- 15 A That is correct.
- 16 Q And you thought you might terminate Armor's contract as
- 17 of June 30?
- 18 A That was one of the possibilities. Again, we were
- 19 exploring possibilities at that point, yes.
- 20 Q And there were four to five other meetings that spring
- 21 that you and Ms. Londos talked about?
- 22 A Correct.
- 23 Q And you actually led these meetings?
- 24 A Yes, I did.
- 25 Q And they were your meetings?

- 1 A They were my meetings.
- 2 Q And you convened your top people at Fluvanna?
- 3 A Yes, I did.
- 4 Q The warden, the contract monitor; all of them were there?
- 5 A The regional nurses, our chief physician, our chief
- 6 psychiatrist, our chief psychologist. We had our budget
- 7 people. We had our human resources people. We had our
- 8 procurement staff. We had the executive staff of Fluvanna.
- 9 Q And so you brought in your top people, not just from
- 10 Fluvanna, but all over the state?
- 11 A Correct.
- 12 Q Marsha Stanford?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And Bonita Blodgett [sic]?
- 15 A Badgett, yes.
- 16 Q Badgett. And they actually identified for DOC the
- 17 problems with the health care processes at Fluvanna as run by
- 18 Armor. Correct?
- 19 A That is correct.
- 20 Q And I'm showing you the February 10 meeting, page 2. And
- 21 your top people told you that there were problems with the way
- 22 Armor was responding to informal complaints?
- 23 A Yes. They told me that.
- 24 Q And they told you there were problems with how Armor was
- 25 running pill line?

- 1 A That is correct.
- 2 Q And they told you there were problems with the way Armor
- 3 nurses were doing sick call?
- 4 A That is correct.
- 5 Q And they found Armor committing medication errors?
- 6 A That is correct.
- 7 Q And they told you Armor was not updating the charges
- 8 correctly?
- 9 A That is correct.
- 10 Q And they told you Armor was mismanaging patients in the
- 11 infirmary?
- 12 A That's not the way I would characterize that, but they
- 13 did say that the infirmary was not up to 80 percent, the
- 14 standard that they set for the infirmary, yes.
- 15 Q Is -- and so you would conclude that, because we are
- 16 identifying problem areas, that the infirmary was a problem
- 17 area?
- 18 A They identified that as a problem area. That is correct.
- 19 Q And, in fact, there were 13 problem areas?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And so you knew at that time that Fluvanna had problems
- 22 | with these areas. Correct?
- 23 A That is correct.
- 24 Q And your top people also told you that Armor is good at
- 25 making plans to fix things, but its execution is the problem.

1 Correct?

- 2 A And I think they were talking specifically there about
- 3 the nursing staff in execution, but yes, that's an accurate
- 4 statement.
- 5 Q And staffing is a major issue, theme running through all
- 6 these problem areas. Correct?
- 7 A Staffing that's consistent. Because Armor certainly
- 8 brought in agency nurses. So, I mean, there was staff there.
- 9 We were looking for consistent staffing. So we wanted
- 10 staffing on the ground, again, who knew the offenders, who
- 11 knew what their situations were. But they certainly had
- 12 staffing in the facility.
- 13 Q And -- but you need staffing to meet all these -- satisfy
- 14 all these problems. Correct?
- 15 A Yes, that's correct.
- 16 Q And they have a problem with execution of staffing; is
- 17 that correct?
- 18 A That's correct.
- 19 Q Okay. And so you were hearing all this from DOC about
- 20 the problems with Armor. Correct?
- 21 A I was hearing what the problems were because I was asking
- 22 what the problems were. Yes.
- 23 Q And you were also -- at that same meeting, you learned
- 24 that Dr. Scharff had had a problem with LPNs conducting sick
- 25 call?

- 1 A That's correct.
- 2 Q And that he wanted a plan and he wanted to see progress?
- 3 A That is correct.
- 4 Q And then you also, at that same or before that same
- 5 February 10 meeting, you had met with Director Clarke and
- 6 Mr. Robinson. Correct?
- 7 A That is correct.
- 8 Q And then together with them, you decided that June 30 was
- 9 too soon to fix these problems?
- 10 A That is correct.
- 11 Q And you would give Armor until October 31, 2016?
- 12 A Correct.
- 13 Q And then you met again later, in February, February 23.
- 14 And your top people told you that Armor was sinking fast.
- 15 | Correct?
- 16 A And again, this was not censored. They were making
- 17 statements that I would not, and no one else challenged them
- 18 on the language that -- that was being used. So, yes, that
- 19 statement -- that statement was made.
- 20 Q They were free to tell you the truth about their
- 21 assessments of that situation?
- 22 A They were free to tell me their assessment, which is
- 23 different.
- 24 Q And they're your top people?
- 25 A Yes. That's correct.

- 1 Q And they also told you that DOC needs to take an
- 2 aggressive approach?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q And they also told you "we," meaning DOC, have to be in
- 5 charge?
- 6 A Yes. That's correct.
- 7 Q And then on page 6, they also told you that Armor was
- 8 using staffing problems as an excuse?
- 9 A That was a comment.
- 10 Q And the comment also was, by your top people, that there
- 11 are no systems in place?
- 12 A Again, their judgment. That's correct.
- 13 Q And that "they," meaning Armor, are not managing medical
- 14 records properly?
- 15 A That is correct.
- 16 Q And they don't have documentation for what the nurses are
- 17 doing?
- 18 A They didn't have some documentation.
- 19 Q And so you knew that there were problems with Armor's
- 20 documentation and medical record management and systems at
- 21 that time?
- 22 A Yes, I did.
- 23 Q And, in fact, you knew that the staff were treating women
- 24 without their medical records?
- 25 A I knew that that was a statement made by the staff, yes.

- 1 Q And then later that same day, you met with Armor; is that
- 2 right?
- 3 A That is correct.
- 4 Q And you told Armor that your goal was for Armor to
- 5 succeed?
- 6 A That is exactly what I said.
- 7 Q And you told them that -- you told Armor that you would
- 8 | not give them directives; you would just give them
- 9 suggestions?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And you gave them a deadline of May 1?
- 12 A That is correct -- well, April 30 was actually the
- 13 deadline, but that's correct. That's close.
- 14 Q April 30 is the deadline?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And May 2 was the day you made the decision?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And so Armor in response -- this is from the March 23
- 19 meeting. Armor, in response, they flew in a bunch of people
- 20 from New Jersey and Florida and other Armor sites around
- 21 Virginia; is that correct?
- 22 A Yes. That's correct.
- 23 Q And in March, your top people asked what happens when the
- 24 additional help leaves; is that correct?
- 25 A That's correct.

- Q And there was no response noted in the records for this meeting?
- A There was nothing that's noted on this page.

Now, again, I would offer to you that we were identifying potential problems. We were not looking at what they were doing well. We were not looking at what was going right. We were identifying what created issues or potential issues for us.

You will also notice that none of that's quantified.

So was that two charts? Was that six charts? Was that 88

charts? That's not noted there.

And I did not try and filter the staff's comments at that point. So if they saw it as an issue, we put it down as an issue, something that we needed to follow up on. That is correct.

- Q And so your staff is questioning what's going to happen when the additional help leaves. And --
- 18 A And rightly so, yes.
- 19 Q And rightly so?
- 20 A And rightly so.
- 21 Q And is leadership going to be sustainable?
- 22 A Yes.

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- 23 Q And at least as of March 23, no one had a response?
- 24 A That is correct.
- 25 THE COURT: Let's take about a ten-minute recess.

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             THE MARSHAL: All rise.
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         (Recess taken from 2:44 p.m. until 2:57 p.m.)
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             THE COURT: You may resume.
            MS. CIOLFI: Thank you, Your Honor.
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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        Before the recess, Ms. Scott, we were talking about the
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   February 23, 2016, meeting with Armor wherein your top people
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   are asking questions about what happens when the help leaves,
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   and Armor didn't have a response, according to these notes.
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   Correct?
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        And they asked, what's the backup plan; is that correct?
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        That is correct.
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        And yet when May 2 came, you still -- you decided to
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   stick with Armor?
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        And again, I would reiterate, we were asking questions.
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   And this was not quantified. These statements were not
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   censored. So I did not ask them to justify what they said.
   So if they saw it as an issue, we documented it as something
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   that we wanted to follow up on. And we did that because we
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   were making assessments.
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             So I did not tell staff, if there's only one
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   instance, you can't say it.
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        Ms. Scott, my question was: On May 2, you decided to
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   stick with Armor?
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- 1 A That is correct, yes.
- 2 Q And you -- these are the people you are relying on to
- 3 provide you the information to make that decision. Correct?
- 4 A That is correct.
- 5 Q And the -- by the way, you have not provided the
- 6 plaintiffs the minutes of that May 2 meeting. Correct?
- 7 A There were no minutes of the May 2 meeting. That was a
- 8 meeting with Armor leadership and myself and I did not write
- 9 down minutes.
- 10 Q So Ms. Scott, by July of 2016, you knew that there were
- 11 numerous reports in the media and court cases raising issues
- 12 with the care provided by private, for-profit correctional
- 13 health care contractors. Correct?
- 14 A I am aware of that.
- 15 Q And you were aware of that in July of 2016. Correct?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q And you also -- and on direct, you talked about how it
- 18 would take -- you thought it would take four to five years to
- 19 be compliant with the settlement agreement. Correct?
- 20 A I said three to four.
- 21 Q Three to four years. But you also knew in July 2016 that
- 22 if conditions of inadequate care at Fluvanna are identified by
- 23 the compliance monitor and not addressed within 30 days, DOC
- 24 can be held in contempt of court. Correct?
- 25 A I remember reading that the compliance monitor could make

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             MS. LONDOS: Object to the extent that it misstates
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   the settlement agreement.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, let me see if I can clear
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   this up.
   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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         You recognize this document, correct, Ms. Scott?
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        And this is a report to the general assembly from the
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   Department of Corrections?
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        And it was prepared on July 1, 2016?
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        Or submitted?
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         Submitted to the general assembly.
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             And you read this report. Correct?
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         I need to see the report.
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             Yes, that is a report that was completed by VCU,
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   Virginia Commonwealth University.
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            MS. CIOLFI: And for the record, I'm showing this.
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   This has been admitted as Exhibit 20.
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                          Is there any objection to the witness
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   having a copy of the document in front of her? It's a lengthy
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   document.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, I only have one copy, and
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   I --
            MS. LONDOS: Well, I have multiple copies. I can
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   bring one if that's acceptable, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Okay. But whatever you are going to ask
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   her, can't you show it on the screen?
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            MS. CIOLFI: I can. That's what I was planning to
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   do.
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            THE COURT: You can give her a copy, too. I don't
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   mind.
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            MS. ABATO: If I may approach the witness, Judge?
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            THE COURT: You may. If it's on the screen, we can
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   all see it.
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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        And Ms. Scott, you not only read this report, but you
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   helped edit it. Correct?
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        That is correct.
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        And you only provided the most accurate and thoughtful
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   information to the general assembly. Correct?
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        And you only provided -- the department only provides the
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   assembly. Correct?
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- A It is certainly our intent.
- 2 Q And if you could look at page 17. And it starts out 3 discussing the Fluvanna ruling. Correct?

At the first, the top of the paragraph: "In a blow to the notion that states can shift liability risk through contracting, Federal District Court Judge Norman Moon's ruling noted that although medical care is provided by a private contractor at FCCW, the agency is ultimately responsible for the well-being of the incarcerated population and cannot delegate this responsibility away."

- And that's what it says. Correct?
- 12 A Correct.

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- Q And can you read the highlighted portion of the report that's on your screen?
- 15 A "If conditions of inadequate care are identified by the 16 monitor and not addressed within 30 days, DOC can be held in 17 contempt of court."
- Q And so in July 2016, you were aware that DOC could be held in contempt if it didn't cure problems with inadequate care quickly?
- 21 MS. LONDOS: Objection to the extent that she's 22 asking this witness to give a legal conclusion.
- MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, I believe there has been testimony about what the Department of Corrections officials knew and understood about the settlement agreement, and I'm

1 just pointing out --2 THE COURT: You can ask her if that was her 3 understanding. BY MS. CIOLFI: 4 5 Was that your understanding? 6 That is -- yes. That is my understanding. Α 7 But still, you stuck with Armor in July of 2016? 8 And again, when we are looking at the notes that you 9 presented to me, those were statements from senior staff, and 10 that is absolutely correct. But those statements were not 11 quantified. They were not censored. They were not 12 challenged, because what we were trying to do was to get on 13 the table all of those things that may be problematic for the agency. Once we had those things on the table, then we went 14 15 back to take a look at them. 16 Ms. Scott, I'm asking you -- I'm not asking you about the meetings anymore. I'm asking you about after this report 17 18 documents problems with -- known problems with health care 19 prison contractors all over the country in media releases that 20 you said you were aware of, and after you understood the 21 urgency of complying with the settlement agreement, you still 22 stuck with Armor after July 2016. Correct? 23 I stuck with Armor because this report does not say, 24 Fluvanna, you are inadequate. It says there are issues with 25 contractors, but I'm working just with Fluvanna. I'm working

- 1 with the contractor that we have at that facility.
- 2 0 You stuck with Armor?
- 3 A Yes, I did. Correct.
- 4 Q And then in August and September of 2016, four women from
- 5 Fluvanna died. Correct?
- 6 A I don't know that statistic, but we have had deaths at
- 7 Fluvanna.
- 8 Q You don't know about that?
- 9 A I know that we have had deaths at Fluvanna. I can't tell
- 10 you the number and the date. So I don't have that in my head.
- 11 Q You were reading all those minutes from the weekly
- 12 meetings, and you don't know about the four deaths over two
- 13 months in 2016?
- 14 MS. LONDOS: Objection. That's argumentative, and
- 15 that's not what this witness said. That misstates her
- 16 testimony.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 18 A What I said is that off the top of my head, I can't tell
- 19 you how many women died on what day. I can tell you that I am
- 20 aware that there were deaths at Fluvanna.
- 21 BY MS. CIOLFI:
- 22 Q And still, after the summer of summer and fall of 2016,
- 23 you stuck with Armor. Correct?
- 24 A We have deaths all over the Department of Corrections.
- 25 And so just that someone died would not suggest that it was

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   the fault of Armor.
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   witness please just answer the question I've asked her.
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             THE WITNESS:
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             THE COURT: Just answer the question. The answer is
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   with Armor. Yes, that's --
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             THE WITNESS: That is correct.
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   BY MS. CIOLFI:
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   Dr. Scharff identifying problems with sick call?
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        And with bureaucratic responses to grievances?
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        Yes, I did.
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        And still you stuck with Armor?
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        Yes, I did.
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        And, in fact, you don't think what Dr. Scharff -- all of
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   what Dr. Scharff puts in his reports is valid. Correct?
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        There have been some disagreements that we have noted for
   him that we did not agree with. That is correct.
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        And you disagree with his assessment that LPNs should not
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   run sick call?
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- 1 Q And you also think he gives too much credit to what the
- 2 women whom you call offenders say to him about their
- 3 experiences with the health care at Fluvanna?
- 4 A I do not believe I have made such a statement.
- 5 Q Ms. Scott, can I get you to take a look at this email?
- 6 This is RFP 3600003377?
- 7 A Yes. I'm looking at that.
- 8 Q If you look at the bottom, does this appear to be an
- 9 email from you on December 9, 2016, to Dr. Herrick?
- 10 A That is correct.
- 11 Q And in which you say -- you are commenting on a report
- 12 from Dr. Scharff. Correct? A draft report?
- 13 A That is correct.
- 14 Q And in which you say, "This report is still full of 'the
- 15 offenders said' or 'I think,' not based on any objective or
- 16 factual data. This is concerning. I don't expect our
- 17 attorneys will challenge this, but if I were paying an
- 18 attorney, I would be grossly dissatisfied if he or she allowed
- 19 these personal opinions. Just getting this off my chest."
- 20 So, in fact, you don't regard the women's experiences
- 21 as factual data?
- 22 A That is not what I'm saying. I'm saying that we have a
- 23 report from Dr. Scharff that says, "I think the offender said"
- 24 without any basis for that. Should we accept everything that
- 25 someone says -- and it doesn't matter who it is -- without

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some basis? No, I would not agree with that. But that does not mean that I think anything that an offender says is not accurate.
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- And you can see from some of the responses that we make at Fluvanna that we do take those things into consideration. I mentioned earlier today about grievances, how we responded to grievances. So, yes, I do consider those things.
- That was probably made in a moment of frustration,

 but I stand by that statement, is that if Dr. Scharff is going

 to write a report about us, there should be some basis for

 that.
- Q It was a moment of frustration about Dr. Scharff's reliance on what the women said in his report. Correct?
- 15 A It does not mean that I do not believe --
- 16 Q Is that correct?

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- 17 A Yes, it is. Yes.
- 18 Q And then in February of 2017, Dr. Herrick sent this
- 19 letter to Armor. Correct?
- 20 A Can I see the top of that?
- 21 Q Certainly.
- 22 A Okay. Yes.
- 23 Q And in this letter, he outlined all the problems at
- 24 Fluvanna and at other sites with Armor's performance.
- 25 Correct?

- 1 A That is correct.
- 2 Q And this is Exhibit 24. And still you stuck with Armor?
- 3 A That is correct.
- 4 Q And then in July of 2017, David Robinson comes to you and
- 5 tells you the warden, Jeffrey Dillman, is being transferred
- 6 from Fluvanna; is that correct?
- 7 A That is correct.
- 8 Q And he asks you if you would like an extra position in
- 9 your department; is that correct?
- 10 A That is correct.
- 11 Q And he does not show you this letter from Jeffrey Dillman
- 12 to David Robinson. Correct?
- 13 A Correct.
- 14 Q And this is the letter in which Mr. Dillman says,
- 15 Without such resources and expertise and with the detailed
- 16 obligations in the settlement agreement, we are destined to
- 17 fail at adequately addressing the same."
- 18 Correct?
- 19 A I'm sorry. Could you lower that a little bit? I would
- 20 like to read the rest of that.
- 21 Q Sure.
- 22 A That is correct.
- 23 Q And then three women die in the space of four weeks over
- 24 the summer of 2017. Are you aware of that?
- 25 A Yes. I'm aware.

- 1 Q That was Ms. Liberato, Ms. Niece, and Ms. Johnson.
- 2 | Correct?
- 3 A Correct.
- 4 Q And still you stuck with Armor?
- 5 A Yes, I did stick with Armor.
- 6 Q And then in early 2017, the show cause is filed -- I'm
- 7 sorry. Early September 2017, the show cause is filed by the
- 8 plaintiffs. Correct?
- 9 A Correct.
- 10 Q And, in fact, that's when you and Dr. Herrick decided to
- 11 offer them \$3 million more -- offer Armor \$3 million more if
- 12 they came up with a plan. Correct?
- 13 A That's -- no, that is not correct. That's when we put it
- 14 in writing. We decided that in June of 2017.
- 15 Q So you drafted the letter on September 8. Correct?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q And it was sent in September, September 27. Correct?
- 18 A 27. Correct.
- 19 Q And the show cause was filed on September 5. Correct?
- 20 A That is correct.
- 21 Q And the solution was to offer Armor more money?
- 22 A The solution was to offer Armor and Mediko more money.
- 23 Q And then you look at Armor's plan and you say, that's no
- 24 plan at all. Correct?
- 25 A I was looking for creativity, and it did not exist in the

- 1 documents that I saw.
- 2 Q And it was no plan at all. Correct?
- 3 A I was -- again, I was looking for creativity, and it did
- 4 not exist.
- 5 Q And if you recall earlier when we talked about how
- 6 they -- Armor -- one of the comments from your top people was
- 7 that Armor could plan but not execute, isn't it the -- do you
- 8 recall that?
- 9 A I recall that, and again, I state that that was a comment
- 10 from one person and it's not quantified.
- 11 Q And it turns out that they couldn't even plan creatively
- 12 to fix the problems. Correct? In the fall of -- in late
- 13 2017?
- 14 A Again, I was asking them for some creative ideas. They
- 15 offered a plan. It was not a plan that I accepted.
- 16 Q And that's when you finally decided to do what was
- 17 suggested to you by your top people back in early 2016, to
- 18 have DOC take over the health care leadership at Fluvanna;
- 19 isn't that right?
- 20 A That is not correct. Because the discussion about
- 21 whether or not we take over Fluvanna actually came from me.
- 22 It was not from the groups. So as I'm presenting to the
- 23 group, I'm the one who said, we should consider whether or not
- 24 the Department of Corrections takes over Fluvanna, there is a
- 25 hybrid model, or we stay with Armor. That discussion was led

by me.

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- 2 Q But my question is about the timing. My question is
- 3 about: It was late 2017 or early 2018, after you got the
- 4 not-creative plan from Armor, that you finally decided to --
- 5 that DOC should take over health care leadership at Fluvanna?
- 6 A That is correct.
- 7 MS. CIOLFI: I have no further questions.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

- 9 BY MS. LONDOS:
- 10 Q Ms. Scott, throughout this process when VDOC has had a
- 11 respectful disagreement with Dr. Scharff on matters such as
- 12 the LPN issue, what has VDOC's decision been moving forward
- 13 vis-a-vis Dr. Scharff's recommendations?
- 14 A Whenever there has been any disagreement with
- 15 Dr. Scharff, we have gone with Dr. Scharff's interpretation.
- 16 Q And is that because VDOC intends to make -- has been
- 17 making progress and intends to make more progress towards full
- 18 compliance with the settlement agreement?
- 19 A And we recognize that Dr. Scharff represents the Court,
- 20 and so that's what we will do.
- 21 Q I would like just to point you to the bottom half of a
- 22 page that was shown to you by plaintiffs' counsel with regard
- 23 to the March 23, 2016, meeting minutes.
- And, in fact, is your team that you put together also
- 25 noting progress that Armor has made during the spring of 2016?

A Yes, they are.

- 2 Q And just so we're clear, the comments that counsel asked
- 3 you about on cross-examination were comments that you elicited
- 4 from your top team in an effort to problem-solve. Correct?
- 5 A We were criticizing our functions. We were looking at
- 6 where the problems are, where the warts are, what we needed to
- 7 do to comply with the settlement agreement, but also what to
- 8 do to provide adequate services.
- 9 Q Just so we're clear, the progress of Armor is documented
- 10 on Bates RFP 4-809.
- And, in fact, when your entire clinical leadership
- 12 team came together and you asked them what should we do at
- 13 this point in the spring of 2016, just before you handed the
- 14 reins to Dr. Herrick to take over, your clinical leadership
- 15 team saw improvement from Armor and thought that keeping Armor
- 16 was the right decision. Correct?
- 17 A Yes, they did.
- 18 Q Was your concern at the time -- or was there a concern at
- 19 the time that if you canceled the Armor contract at that time,
- 20 that would be a bigger problem on your hands?
- 21 A That was the October date that we talked about, because
- 22 we had said we expect improvement by April 30. We certainly
- 23 were not going to remove Armor on April 30, and we were
- 24 looking at a date that if we removed Armor, when we could
- 25 actually take over realistically, because we would have to

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   bring on our own leadership.
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             That required advertising. That required
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   interviewing. It required bringing people on, establishing
   salaries, and we could not do that May 1 if we decided to get
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   rid of them.
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        And, in fact, in the spring of 2016 Armor brought in top
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   personnel from outside of Virginia and moved them into
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   Fluvanna to address the settlement agreement. Correct?
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        That is correct.
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            MS. LONDOS: I would like to move into evidence the
   document that plaintiffs' counsel questioned Ms. Scott on.
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   It's the -- it is?
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             Counsel tells me it's already in evidence.
   BY MS. LONDOS:
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         In closing, Ms. Scott, VDOC has been criticized for
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   spending too much money on health care for inmates?
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        Yes, we have.
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        And VDOC has moved forward with spending even more money.
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   Correct?
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   Α
        That is correct.
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            MS. LONDOS: Thank you.
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             THE COURT: Just one question. One of the witnesses
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   mentioned that there was a time when Fluvanna had a great
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   health care program.
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             THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, I did not --
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             THE COURT: One of the witnesses remarked that there
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   was a time when Fluvanna had a great health care program.
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   was just wondering: At what point did things turn around and
   go downhill?
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            THE WITNESS: I don't know that I can answer that
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   specifically. We have had -- since Fluvanna has been
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   operational, we have had contractors at the facility. Only in
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   2012 was I aware that there were problems with the delivery of
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   services by the contractors. And so I was not supervising
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   health care at that time, but I was certainly aware of the
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   lawsuit and those allegations at that point. But I was not
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   aware prior to that time of any complaints about the --
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             THE COURT: When the lawsuit started up, were you
   involved in the discussions about the conditions? Were you
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   involved with health care at that time?
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            THE WITNESS: In 2012? No.
            THE COURT: When did you get involved with health
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   care?
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            THE WITNESS: It would have been the fall of 2014.
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            THE COURT: Well, were you all discussing then that
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   there were problems?
            THE WITNESS: Yes. Yes, we certainly were, and we
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   were --
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                        What I'm getting at is: You are having
            THE COURT:
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   all these meetings two years later in 2016 trying to identify
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   problems, but it looks like you would have been aware of the
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   problems back in 2014 or earlier.
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            THE WITNESS: Yes. And we made requirements for
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   changes. And this is -- it's really not a stagnant process.
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   It's not, you identify a problem, it's fixed, and it goes on.
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   There were highs and some problems. And so things were
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   working well, and then sometimes there were problems. But
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   that is not unusual with health care that it's not always
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   going to be at a high level, not in corrections and not in
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   hospitals.
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            THE COURT: Well, but it didn't get to a high level
   between 2014 and -- until maybe 2016 or 2017, did it?
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            THE WITNESS: Yes, there were improvements during
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   that time.
               Things were getting better, and then there were
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   some hiccups. There were some things that did not work.
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   Again, that happens in hospitals. It happens in other of our
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   correctional facilities with our staff -- so it's not just the
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   contractors. It happens with corrections staff as well.
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            THE COURT: Oh, I know, but we're talking about
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   Fluvanna.
              I know that there are problems everywhere in every
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   hospital, and you can die in every hospital, and you get
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   mistreated, you get bad medicine, and that sort of thing.
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            THE WITNESS: And so certainly if I thought --
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            THE COURT: Anyway, we were talking about the
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   specifics here.
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REDIRECT EXAMINATION OF N.H. "COOKIE" SCOTT

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            THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. And there were improvements.
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   And as I said, when I made recommendations to Armor that they
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   bring in additional staff, they always responded. When we
   identified a problem, they were addressing those problems or
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   attempting to address those problems. So they were making
   efforts. We worked as a team at Fluvanna --
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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            THE WITNESS: -- with the contractors.
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            THE COURT: All right.
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            MS. LONDOS: Your Honor, could my colleague
   Mr. McNelis respond? Because there were issues from -- a fact
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   from earlier in the litigation.
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            MR. McNELIS: This is about your question, Your
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           I think I can ask the witness questions that might
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   help the Court understand what you are asking about.
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            THE COURT:
                        Okay.
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                         REDIRECT EXAMINATION
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        I was involved in your earlier litigation representing
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   several companies. Armor was one of them. Wasn't there a
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   company called Corizon that had a contract with the Department
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   of Corrections back in the early 2010s?
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        Yes, that is correct.
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        And did Corizon have a contract wherein they abruptly
   pulled out of the contract based on money issues in 2014?
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1 That is correct. They were issued the contract based on 2 a lower bid that -- Armor was a vendor at that point. They 3 got the lower bid and they were providing services to us. They realized they could not provide the services at the 4 5 amount that they offered, and they gave notice to us and 6 terminated the contract. 7 Now, back before Corizon came and got the contract, I believe it was around 2011, 2012. Does that sound right? 9 I can look. I have that with me. 10 Let's see. Corizon got the contract in May of 2013. '13. Okay. 11 Q 12 Α Yes. 13 Before Corizon had the contract, who was the contractor? 14 Α Armor. 15 Did Armor have a contract for a fairly extended period of 16 time, a number of years? Many years? 17 For many years, yes. Now, there were some name changes, but yes, they had it for many years before then. 19 MR. McNELIS: Thank you. 20 MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, may I ask a question in 21 light of counsel's question and your question? THE COURT: Yes, you may. 2.2 23 RECROSS-EXAMINATION 24 BY MS. CIOLFI:

Q Ms. Scott, was there -- has the care at Fluvanna always

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   been provided by a private, for-profit health care contractor?
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        Yes, it has.
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        You are sure about that?
        Well, now that you ask me, then -- my understanding is --
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   again, it was not in my division, but my understanding is that
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   it has always been provided by a contractor since the opening.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Okay.
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            THE COURT: All right. Thank you. You may step
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   down.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, we have one more very quick
   witness to address questions the Court raised with Ms. Scott
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   that she wasn't able to answer, just real quickly on questions
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   you raised, Your Honor.
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            MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, this is recalling a previous
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   witness. And I have already told Mr. McNelis we would be
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   willing to stipulate to the information that he is about to
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   present to the Court.
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            MR. McNELIS: I don't mind stipulating to it, but I
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   would like to do is make sure I stipulate it right. The Court
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   was asking about what percentage of the population in
21
   Fluvanna --
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            THE COURT: Oh, okay.
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            MR. McNELIS: -- is general-type population versus
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   systemic illness.
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            Warden Aldridge, what is the number at Fluvanna
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   currently of patients who are systemically ill versus, you
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   know, patients in the general population?
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            WARDEN ALDRIDGE: 75 percent of the population is on
   some type of psychotropic medication. Over 40 percent receive
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   between 7 and 33 administration of meds per day.
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            MR. McNELIS: So overall, what percentage of the
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   population?
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            WARDEN ALDRIDGE: Over 60 percent.
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            MR. McNELIS: Over 60 percent. If you would be
   willing to stipulate to that, we don't need to call him to the
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   stand.
            MS. CIOLFI: Well, the plaintiffs will stipulate that
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   it's at least 60 percent have chronic illnesses and serious
   health care needs.
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            MR. McNELIS: No need to call him.
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            THE COURT: All right. Do you rest?
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            MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, at this time we would like
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   to move some exhibits into evidence.
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            THE COURT: Move what?
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            MS. GRIGGS: At this time we would like to move some
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   exhibits into evidence, if it please the Court.
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            THE COURT: I think there's -- do you have any
   rebuttal evidence?
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            MS. CIOLFI: Yes, we do, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT:
                         Okay. Let's call that. We will get to
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   that.
          It's part of your case, but I'd like to get --
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            MS. CIOLFI: Your Honor, we do have rebuttal
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   evidence. There are a couple of motions to strike pending
   regarding Mr. Welsh and Mr. Herrick's testimony, but maybe we
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   can take them after the rebuttal witness, if that's okay with
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   the Court.
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            THE COURT: All right. Let's bring the witnesses in.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, before -- I'm not going to
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   handle this witness. Ms. Griggs is. Can I just make a
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   general objection?
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            I'm unaware of any issue -- there has not been a
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   single nursing expert that we have called in this case.
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   put a deposition in, and it was taken a month ago. A month
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   ago. There has been no new evidence from any medical expert
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   that was not disclosed before that's come up in the
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   defendant's case that would create the opportunity for
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   rebuttal. Rebuttal is a new -- we have brought up something
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   new in our --
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            THE COURT: Let's -- what is the question?
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            MR. McNELIS: What is the issue that's theirs to
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   rebut, Your Honor?
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            THE COURT: Well, I'm asking the -- that would be the
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   question.
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            MR. McNELIS: Yes, sir.
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                       I think, that --
            THE COURT:
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            MR. McNELIS: That's the question.
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            THE COURT: -- you would ask the witness.
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            What is it he is going to rebut, or she?
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, there has been a lot of
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   testimony over the last few days about a number of different
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            There's been some things that witnesses have said
   issues.
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   that are different than our previous understanding.
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            I think we would just like to call our expert back to
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   talk about a few of those things, and we will keep it short.
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   And, you know, it's hard to address this objection sort of in
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   a void without the testimony. So I would ask that the Court
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   hear it and make a decision then.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, I can't imagine counsel
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   doesn't know we are going to call her on this point, that
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   point, and that point. The reason this point is important is
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   because something new came up.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Cool it. If you are going to call
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   a witness on rebuttal, you need to tell me for what purpose.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, in particular, a lot of
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   the witnesses have testified about timelines for things and
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   how long things have taken or how long things should take or
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   must take. And our witness really is essentially being called
   to rebut that.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Let's bring the witness on and you
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   can proffer it.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: And I'm sorry. We actually have two
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   witnesses. We have one of our named plaintiffs.
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            THE COURT: You can call them one at a time.
            MS. CASTANEDA: Okay. First we are calling
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   Ms. Clarke.
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              JACKIE CLARKE, PLAINTIFF REBUTTAL, SWORN
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                     DIRECT REBUTTAL EXAMINATION
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   BY MS. CASTANEDA:
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        Ms. Clarke, we're just going to try to keep this as short
   as possible. So I won't belabor things, but I just want to
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   ask --
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            THE COURT: It's belaboring already. Ask her the
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   question.
   BY MS. CASTANEDA:
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        Okay. I guess you'd agree that you have heard -- you've
   been sitting here the last couple days. You have heard the
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   defendants' witnesses testify. Correct?
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        Yes.
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        And you have heard them testify about how long different
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   processes take, or different changes?
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   Α
        Correct.
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        Right. And do you have -- you know, based on your
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   experience as a person who has worked in troubled --
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   correctional health care, do you have some experience with how
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   long things can take to change?
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              I have worked in multiple systems that have been
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   under some type of settlement agreement or consent decree, and
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   again, the amount of time that they are talking about putting
   things in place again --
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            MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, if I may, we would object to
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   this as repetitive of her earlier testimony.
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            THE COURT:
                       What?
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            MS. GRIGGS: Ms. Clarke has already testified about
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   this in plaintiffs' case in chief, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Has she?
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            MR. McNELIS: Yes.
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            THE COURT: Did she testify as to this?
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Yes.
            THE COURT: I know she testified.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: I'm just tying to lay a quick
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   foundation for the questions I'm about to ask.
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            THE COURT: All right. Go to the specific question.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: To the specific questions? Okay.
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   Straight to the specific questions.
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   BY MS. CASTANEDA:
        Was there some testimony about a CQI process or trying to
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   evaluate and fix things?
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             It was clear early on what the settlement agreement
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   was, and throughout the last two days, comments that they were
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   evaluating and it took time to put system in place.
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            Again, the length of time that they spent on putting
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   a CQI system in place throughout Scharff's reports -- again,
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   he recommended putting a sick call system in place, not having
   NPL -- LPNs conduct sick call -- that continued for over two
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   years before they decided not to have the LPNs conduct sick
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   call, which again, they were working them outside the scope of
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   their license.
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            MS. GRIGGS: Objection. Move to strike, Your Honor.
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   Assumes facts not in evidence, and is previously covered on
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   direct. Covered in all of the expert reports in advance of
   this hearing, Your Honor.
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            THE WITNESS: I believe both witnesses today --
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   Ms. Seabert mentioned that.
            MS. GRIGGS: The Court hasn't ruled on it.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Was this not covered earlier?
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            MS. CASTANEDA: Right. So the question is the
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   timeline.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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   BY MS. CASTANEDA:
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        So how long should that take to fix, could that take to
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   fix?
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        It should not take long. It's something that you put in
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   a policy. You have a policy to say --
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                        Well, it's not really -- some say it
            THE COURT:
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   takes a long time, and some say it doesn't take long.
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- 1 could both be talking about the same thing, depending on how
- 2 long they're going to live. I mean, it's not really -- how
- 3 long would it take? I mean, that's not -- you know, "not a
- 4 long time" doesn't tell me much, and "a long time" doesn't
- 5 tell me much.
- 6 BY MS. CASTANEDA:
- 7 Q Right. So how long, a number of days or months?
- 8 A I think that's something that they could easily put into
- 9 place in less than 60 days.
- 10 Q All right. How about fixing the issue of delivering care
- 11 through food ports? How long should that take? A number of
- 12 days or months?
- 13 A Again, that's something that can be a guick seatbelt fix
- 14 that -- again, a policy decision not to have medication
- 15 administered through a food port is a quick fix. It's a
- 16 policy decision. It is not allowing the nurses to provide
- 17 substandard care. It is a quick fix.
- 18 MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, if I may, we would ask the
- 19 Court if we could proffer to the Court -- and in it's in
- 20 evidence already for identification purposes only --
- 21 Ms. Clarke's initial expert report.
- 22 All of these issues are in there, Your Honor. These
- 23 have been on the table since March 15 of this year, when she
- 24 wrote her expert report. She testified about them in our case
- 25 in chief. And this is just complete -- it absolutely is

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   bolstering, coming back after our case is rested.
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            THE COURT: She is not permitted on rebuttal just to
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   repeat what she already testified to.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: I don't believe she talked about
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   specific timelines, months or days.
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            THE COURT: I don't recall that she did, either.
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   So...
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            MS. GRIGGS: But, Your Honor, the issues were
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   addressed.
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            THE COURT: Okay, but if the witness took the stand
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   and said something contrary to what she has evidence of and it
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   impeaches the witness, this is the time she can testify to it.
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   Whether she testified or could have earlier, the purpose is
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   impeachment.
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            MS. GRIGGS: If I may, Your Honor -- the only thought
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   I would offer on that, Your Honor, is --
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            THE COURT: Well, I don't know why this is so
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   critical, but if she has already said it --
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            MS. GRIGGS: If I may, Your Honor, with all due
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   respect, this is what this case has been about from day one.
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            THE COURT: Okay. But if we take -- if we get her
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   off the stand in about five minutes, you know, we won't be
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   here for another week.
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            MS. GRIGGS: Thank you, Your Honor. We will just
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   note our objection to this entire line of testimony.
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- THE COURT: All right. Go ahead. Let's move on.

 BY MS. CASTANEDA:

 Q So I believe I was asking you how long and the amount of
- So I believe I was asking you how long and the amount of time would it take to fix the issue of delivering care through the food port. Like days or months?
- A Again, I think that would take 30 days, 45 days. It's a policy decision. You already have the two officers with the nurses at pill line. Again, it's a policy decision. It's a supervisory issue.
- 10 Q There has been some testimony about -- in fact, a lot of testimony, I think, from a lot of witnesses, about staffing levels and how hard it's been to get the staffing in. How
- 13 long do you think that should take to fix?
- A I think that they have showed over the past two days with the nurses, that they have testified the past few days, that they have been able to increase their staffing. They have been able to get the registered nurses in. So, again, they have shown they have been able to do it in the past two or
- 19 three months. So, again, that's something that they have been
- 20 able to do recently but didn't do it in the past.
- 21 Q And based on the testimony you have heard, do you have 22 any concerns about their ability to sustain that change?
- 23 A The concern that I have is in -- again, in my experience,
- 24 when you are only relying on registry dollars, registry
- 25 dollars are not permanent. They are temporary.

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            I understand that they got approval for this
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   $3 million, six months. Once that $3 million is gone, unless
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   that 3 million is turned into state positions that they can
   hire state staff, there is no guarantee that once the pressure
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   is off that those staff will be gone. So again, the intent of
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   what they are trying to do now, they won't be able to sustain
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   it.
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        There has been some testimony about supplies and
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   equipment and whether that's sufficient or insufficient,
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   whether the supplies and equipment are checked or not, are
   functional or not. How long should that take to fix?
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        Again, that's something that should be a very quick fix.
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   You need a policy. You need the expectation. You need a
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   staff that's assigned to do that to ensure that your par
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   levels are up to a sufficient level, and someone responsible
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   to do it. And again, that's something that could be a very
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   quick fix.
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        How quick?
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        I say that's something that's another 30 days, 45 days to
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   fix.
        There has been also a lot of testimony about emergency
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   equipment and emergency response. And, you know, I believe
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   there was an example from Dr. Gable's testimony yesterday.
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            Can you comment on how long -- on what that was and
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   how long that should take to fix?
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A Yes. I believe Dr. Gable mentioned yesterday that

April 18th there was still an issue in the infirmary where the

nurse -- there was an emergency, and they couldn't find a

backboard.

I also believe Mr. Herrick sort of attributed the issue of me wanting suction machines out in the housing unit. Again, I was just noting in my report that they weren't there, but it was their staff that had recommended that. And I was just noting that they weren't there.

The issue with emergency equipment -- regardless of what the facility wants, the issue is that everyone needs to know where the emergency equipment is, who is responsible at the time that there is an emergency to bring the emergency equipment, and who is assigned to do it.

So, again, as recently as April 18, the staff in the infirmary did not know at the time of an emergency.

Q And there has also been a lot of testimony about medication supply or pill line dispensing medications. How long should that take to fix?

A I would also like to address the fact that Mr. Herrick questioned, did I know the difference between dispensing and administering medications. So I would like to clear that up once again, that I know the difference. And again, maybe the department needs to look at their own regulations.

The difference between dispensing medication versus

- 1 administering medication is the act of taking medication from 2 one container --
 - Q So you mean like these containers?
- 4 A Yes.

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- -- and taking them from one container and putting
 them into another container, which would be the yellow
 envelopes that say, then, label with the patient's name, date
 of birth, housing location. That act of labeling and
 packaging is the act of dispensing.
- 10 Q And what if they take it and put it directly into the 11 cup?
- 12 A The act of putting the medication from the bottle to the 13 cup is perfectly fine. That's still prepouring, but that is 14 not dispensing.
- 15 Q And how long would those issues -- I mean, so there is
 16 the dispensing and prepouring. There was also, I think, maybe
 17 some testimony about inaccurate charting. So how long does
 18 that take to fix?
 - A Again, that could be a training issue. I believe because they have so many nurses and not adequate training for them to know the system -- I think they said in Gable's testimony just yesterday, the difference between the MARs was the M versus the N.
- It's clear that there's still some concerns about the medication MARs, and that may be due to insufficient training

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   for the nursing staff; they are not being trained because
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   there are so many registry nurses and not enough supervisors
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   to provide adequate training. So, again, that is a training
           That's a supervisory issue. But, again, that's
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   something that could be fixed with training and supervision.
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        All right. And how long would it take?
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        Again, with the new supervisors they have, probably 60 --
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   30 to 60 days.
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        I believe Dr. Herrick testified on Wednesday about DOC or
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   people at DOC maybe being confused about what the settlement
   agreement required. Can you talk about that?
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              Again, I believe they hired him because he had
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   experience with a settlement agreement. So they shouldn't be
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   surprised.
               When I read the settlement agreement, it's not
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   unclear. It's clear on what they were required to do.
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             I believe the issue was that they really didn't feel
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   that they really had to do it. Not until --
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            THE COURT:
                        These are opinions beyond.
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            THE WITNESS: Okay.
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            MS. CASTANEDA:
                             Thank you.
                                         That's all.
                      CROSS-REBUTTAL EXAMINATION
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Ms. Clark, we haven't met. My name is Ed McNelis.
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            You have been here, ma'am, all week?
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        Yes, I have.
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1 What is your regular job? Where would you be if you 2 weren't here in court? Would you be working? 3 I would be working. 4 And what did you do back at work to take care of Okay. 5 your absence for a week? 6 I'm on vacation. Α 7 All right. And, ma'am, how much did you charge the 8 plaintiffs to be here all week? 9 Oh, well --10 MS. CASTANEDA: Your Honor, I'm not sure why that's 11 relevant. 12 It goes to bias, Your Honor. MR. McNELIS: 13 THE WITNESS: Oh, you want me to -- I can answer 14 that. 15 BY MR. McNELIS: 16 0 Yes. 17 I charge 250 an hour. Α 18 Okay. You charge -- how many hours a day have you 19 charged? 20 Oh, I haven't decided yet. Α 21 Okay. Now, after court --22 THE COURT: Wait. Wait. This is black-letter stuff. 23 I mean, you don't object to this type of thing.

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Go ahead.

BY MR. McNELIS:

- 1 Q \$250 an hour. Ma'am, how many hours a day have you been
- 2 billing while you have been here?
- 3 A I haven't added it up yet.
- 4 Q Now, after the court is over, there have been meetings at
- 5 the Omni Hotel in the Preston Room. And you have been
- 6 attending those meetings, haven't you, ma'am?
- 7 A Yes, I have.
- 8 Q And they're dinner meetings; is that correct?
- 9 A No, they are not dinner meetings.
- 10 Q Are you billing for the time you spend at the Preston
- 11 Room every night?
- 12 A No, I'm not.
- 13 Q Okay. What time do you start billing? When you get to
- 14 the courthouse?
- 15 A Courthouse.
- 16 Q So eight, nine hours a day, times 250?
- 17 A Possibly, yes.
- 18 Q Ma'am, the food port thing you were just talking about,
- 19 Dr. Scharff has not found in his reports that providing care
- 20 for the food port is a noncompliance issue with the settlement
- 21 agreement, has he?
- 22 A I don't know if he has found that that's a noncompliant
- 23 issue. I'm telling you that is a substandard of care issue.
- 24 Q Dr. Scharff has not cited that --
- THE COURT: Well, hurry up and see if it can be fixed

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   in, I don't know, 30 to 60 days.
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            MR. McNELIS: I'm just trying to make the point --
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   sorry, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: It doesn't make any difference.
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   we talked about whether it's good or bad --
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            MR. McNELIS: Yes, sir.
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             THE COURT: -- or indifferent. But...
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   BY MR. McNELIS:
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        Now, you got to see the testimony of Nurse Katzman and
   Nurse Stanford, haven't you?
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        Yes.
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        Do you find Nurse Katzman to be an intelligent,
   thoughtful nurse based on her testimony here in court?
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        She seemed very reasonable yesterday. Yes.
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        Wouldn't it be fair to say she seemed pretty sharp and
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   pretty focused on what she is doing?
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        I thought she was very reasonable yesterday, yes.
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        How about Nurse Stanford? Did you find her to be an
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   intelligent and seemingly knowledgeable nurse?
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        She was the best of the two.
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        Okay. And do you believe that the two of them were being
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   honest when they told Judge Moon that they are working hard
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   and they believe that morale is starting to come around at
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   Fluvanna?
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        Oh, I believe they have good intentions and they are
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- trying to fix that facility. I do believe that.
- 2 Q And do you believe they are going to succeed?
- 3 A I believe that right now, given the resources and
- 4 attentions that they are being provided now, that they are
- 5 making progress. The concern is, will they continue to have
- 6 the resources if there is not court intervention?
- 7 Q What evidence -- and this is an open -- I'm on
- 8 cross-examination. I'm going to ask you this question.
- 9 A Okay.

- 10 Q Please tell me what evidence you've heard -- you have
- 11 been here all week in this courtroom -- what evidence have you
- 12 heard that anyone has been deprived resources?
- 13 A Well, I believe that Herrick said that when he took the
- 14 job, he had carte blanche. He could do whatever he wanted to
- 15 fix the system. He was never told no, that he can have
- 16 anything he wants.
- But when it really came down to it, he had to write
- 18 letters to say the house is on fire to really get resources.
- 19 So the reality is, he couldn't get whatever he wanted. So
- 20 again, that's an example of not being able to get what he
- 21 wanted.
- 22 Q What was he denied?
- 23 A Staff.
- 24 Q Please tell me what testimony there was that he was
- 25 denied staff because of resources.

- 1 A His email -- I mean, his testimony Wednesday.
- 2 Q You are saying -- you are saying -- you sat in this
- 3 courtroom. You are saying today in the witness stand that
- 4 Mr. Herrick testified yesterday --
- 5 A Wednesday.
- 6 Q -- Wednesday, excuse me, that he was denied -- and
- 7 "resources" is a euphemism. Money. Right? That's what we're
- 8 talking about?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q He was denied money for staffing? Is that your
- 11 testimony, ma'am? That's what you say he said.
- 12 A No. I said that he had to do a purchase order for a
- 13 contract when he had to put extra stuff in his purchase order
- 14 to say that he is concerned about the care, the nursing at the
- 15 facility, that things were getting out of control, all of that
- 16 in an effort to get the resources that he needed to get the
- 17 contract for the extra -- I don't know what they called it,
- 18 but the extra money for the nurses, for the extra contract
- 19 staff that they are utilizing at the facility now.
- 20 Q And did you hear him say that they got the extra
- 21 | \$3 million approved?
- 22 A Yes, by using those words.
- 23 Q So the resources were not denied, were they?
- 24 A Right. But he had to put those type of words in the
- 25 contract -- in that procurement request to get the contract.

- 1 You also testified a few minutes ago about how the state 2 ought to get additional state staffing for the facility. 3 many state staff positions do you have at the Los Angeles County Jail? 4 5 Oh, my goodness. Let's see. Somewhere -- well, they are 6 not state staffed. They are county staffed. 7 3,200 -- I think about 3,200 positions. 8 Does the California assembly decide county staff 9 positions, or does Los Angeles County decide county staff 10 positions? 11 County staff. Α Medical equipment. Ma'am, you saw Dr. Joshua's photos of 12 13 some of the very -- I'll call it -- I won't call it "state of 14 the art" -- very good equipment, as Dr. Joshua described it? 15 Α I didn't see it. 16 I'm sorry? 0 17 Α I didn't see it. 18 So you weren't in the courtroom for that? Q 19 Α No one in the court saw that. 20 Oh, they didn't put that out here. I understand. You 21 didn't get to see it out here? 2.2. Α No. 23 I understand. Okay. Never mind. I can't ask you

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questions about that.

Pharmacy dispensing issues. Dr. Scharff has not

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   found dispensing of medications -- the distinction you are
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   making between passing them out and dispensing them, he has
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   not found that to be a noncompliance issue with the contract,
   has he -- sorry, with the settlement agreement, has he?
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        Pill call has been an issue in every single one of his
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   reports.
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        Ma'am, isn't it fair to say that you are part of the
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   plaintiffs' team?
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        No.
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            MR. McNELIS: Okay. That's all I got.
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            THE COURT: All right. You may step down. Thank
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   you.
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            MS. ELLIS: Your Honor, plaintiffs call Melissa
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   Atkins.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, can I make the same
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   objection? Ms. Atkins, as I understand the proffers, is going
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   to come in and talk about bad health care she's received.
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   Now, we have already had a number of plaintiffs speak to that.
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            THE COURT: Overruled. If she's going to contradict
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   one of your witnesses, she's permitted to testify.
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            MR. McNELIS: None of my witnesses ever mentioned her
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   name once except on cross-examination.
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            THE COURT: Well, whatever. If she can contradict
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   it, it's okay.
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              MELISSA ATKINS, PLAINTIFF REBUTTAL, SWORN
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DIRECT REBUTTAL EXAMINATION 2 BY MS. ELLIS:

- 3 Q Please state your name.
- 4 A Melissa Faye Atkins.
- 5 Q Ms. Atkins, are you incarcerated at Fluvanna?
- 6 A Yes, ma'am, I am.
- 7 Q When did you arrive at Fluvanna?
- 8 A I arrived in Fluvanna in 2001.
- 9 Q So you have been there for 17 years?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q Do you have any chronic medical conditions?
- 12 A Yes, ma'am, I do.
- 13 Q What are those?
- 14 A I have got degenerative rheumatoid arthritis, and
- 15 recently I was diagnosed with a pyoderma gangrenosum, as well
- 16 as fibromyalgia.
- 17 Q Ms. Atkins, you are a named plaintiff in this action.
- 18 | Correct?
- 19 A Yes, ma'am, I am.
- 20 Q And have you been in the courtroom most of this week?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q Did you hear Warden Aldridge's testimony about culture
- 23 changes at Fluvanna?
- 24 A Yes, I did.
- 25 Q As a result of your chronic medical conditions, do you

- 1 interact often with the Fluvanna health care system?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q In your interactions with the health care system at
- 4 Fluvanna, have you seen the culture change since 2016?
- 5 A I have not really seen a positive change as far as
- 6 medical.
- 7 Q Ms. Atkins, did you file an emergency grievance in
- 8 April 2018, just a couple months ago?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q What prompted you to file that emergency grievance?
- 11 A I was having shortness of breath, and as the day
- 12 progressed it was not getting any better and it was hurting up
- 13 in my chest. And I was afraid of what was going on. I mean,
- 14 I couldn't catch my breath.
- 15 Q Were you evaluated by a nurse after filing that emergency
- 16 | grievance?
- 17 A Yes, I was.
- 18 Q And what was the result --
- MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, we are objecting. It is not
- 20 rebuttal to anything that was brought up by any witness on
- 21 behalf of the defendants.
- 22 MS. ELLIS: Your Honor, there was significant
- 23 testimony from Nurse Stanford, Nurse Katzman, and I believe
- 24 also Warden Aldridge, about this new emergency grievance
- 25 system that was very recently put in place.

1 Ms. Atkins has had recent experience with that, and 2 that's what she is -- very briefly, I anticipate --3 THE COURT: Limit it to the grievance system. MS. ELLIS: Yes. Yes, Your Honor. 4 5 THE COURT: Okay. 6 BY MS. ELLIS: 7 So Ms. Atkins, I believe you said you filed an emergency 8 grievance for chest pain and shortness of breath? 9 I couldn't -- well, yeah, I couldn't catch my breath. 10 And were you evaluated by a nurse after filing that emergency grievance? 11 12 Α Yes, I was. 13 And what was the result of that evaluation? 14 Α After she did my triage, I had a fever of, like, 101. 15 And she determined that I was at the beginning of a -- like, 16 an upper respiratory infection or cold, or whatever you want 17 to call it. 18 And so is it fair to say, fortunately, it turned out that 19 this was not a life-threatening circumstance? 20 Α Yes, ma'am. Did you have any way of knowing that before you filed the 21 22 emergency grievance? 23 I mean, I filed it because I wasn't able to breathe 24 as I normally breathe, and that's not something I have ever

So it scared me.

had problems with, is breathing.

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- 1 Q Were you charged \$5 for filing that emergency grievance?
- 2 A Yes, I was.
- 3 Q Did you try to get that charge refunded?
- 4 A I did.
- 5 Q As part of your efforts to get that charge refunded, did
- 6 you meet with a health care administrator at Fluvanna?
- 7 A Yes, I did.
- 8 Q Can you describe that meeting?
- 9 A When I first went in, he was --
- THE COURT: Well, isn't it the policy -- the policy
- 11 is that they are charged the \$5 after, if it doesn't turn out
- 12 to be an emergency?
- MS. ELLIS: Yes, Your Honor, and I believe plaintiffs
- 14 have put forward that that's a disincentive to women to
- 15 seeking emergency care, when they can't -- they can't make
- 16 that determination.
- THE COURT: Okay. Let's go ahead and get it. I'm
- 18 sorry.
- 19 BY MS. ELLIS:
- 20 Q Can you please describe that conversation with the
- 21 administrator?
- 22 A Well, when I first went in, he was reading the grievance.
- 23 And he chuckled to himself. And to me, I didn't see anything
- 24 funny over the fact that -- I mean, I sincerely at that point
- 25 in time when I put it in, I felt like I needed to be seen.

- 1 And to put in a sick call, that's at least 48 hours until I
- 2 would be evaluated.
- 3 Q Did the administrator say anything to you about when it's
- 4 appropriate to file an emergency grievance?
- 5 A Yes. Actually, he said that the instances they use to
- 6 determine whether it's an emergency is if you're bleeding or
- 7 you are unconscious.
- 8 Q Was this interaction typical, in your personal
- 9 experience, of interactions with the health care system at
- 10 Fluvanna?
- 11 A With the majority of it, yes.
- 12 Q Ms. Atkins, you testified you had been at Fluvanna for 17
- 13 years. Do you remember when the settlement agreement was
- 14 implemented?
- 15 A I do.
- 16 Q Do you have changes that you hope to see as a result of
- 17 that?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 THE COURT: Wait a minute. Let's stick to -- this is
- 20 getting out of line. Rebuttal is rebuttal, not --
- 21 MS. ELLIS: Thank you, Your Honor. I will just ask
- 22 one more question in rebuttal for Ms. Atkins.
- 23 BY MS. ELLIS:
- 24 Q Ms. Atkins, did you hear Dr. Joshua testify this morning
- 25 regarding the condition of Fluvanna during his visit?

- 1 A Yes, I did.
- $2 \mid Q$ And did you see some of the pictures that he showed?
- 3 A I seen a few of them on the monitor there, yes, ma'am.
- 4 Q Were you housed in the infirmary for a few months during
- 5 last year?
- 6 A I went in in November, and I left February 21 of this
- 7 year, 2018.
- 8 Q Did you see Dr. Scharff tour the infirmary at some point
- 9 during that time?
- 10 A I did.
- 11 Q Was the appearance of the infirmary on the day that you
- 12 saw Dr. Scharff tour it the same as it was on an average day?
- 13 A No, ma'am, it wasn't.
- 14 Q How was it different?
- 15 A It had been cleaned thoroughly. I mean, you would know
- 16 when someone was getting ready to come through, because the
- 17 cadre workers, or the housekeepers, whatever you want to call
- 18 them, they would be back there putting in extra hours.
- 19 A couple of ladies aren't able to take care of their
- 20 normal hygiene. And no longer than I was in the infirmary, I
- 21 learned when something was going on, because you would see
- 22 both of them being up and being bathed.
- MS. ELLIS: Thank you, Ms. Atkins.
- 24 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead.
- 25 CROSS-REBUTTAL EXAMINATION

- 1 BY MS. GRIGGS:
- 2 Q Good afternoon, Ms. Atkins. Ms. Atkins, have you ever
- 3 had insurance outside of the correctional facility, health
- 4 insurance?
- 5 A Yes, ma'am.
- 6 Q Have you ever had to pay a co-pay for any of the health
- 7 care that you have had?
- 8 A Yes, ma'am.
- 9 Q Ms. Atkins, have you been transported on numerous
- 10 occasions to the University of Virginia for care for various
- 11 illnesses and injuries that you have suffered?
- 12 A Not injuries, but illnesses, yes, I have.
- 13 Q Well, if I understood correctly, when you were coming to
- 14 the hearing this week, you were concerned about injury to your
- 15 leg from --
- 16 MS. ELLIS: Your Honor, I'm going to object. This is
- 17 outside the scope of what I asked Ms. Atkins about.
- 18 THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead.
- 19 BY MS. GRIGGS:
- 20 Q Were you concerned about some injury to your leg? And I
- 21 might be misunderstanding.
- 22 A The -- no. The injury is actually an ulcer that is
- 23 healed up, and I was told by UVA to have no trauma at all to
- 24 it. So therefore, where the shackles are, it would rub where
- 25 the ulcer is now healed over.

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        Okay. So that ulcer did heal?
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        Finally, thankfully, yes.
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        Okay. And you have been taken to UVA for multiple
   illnesses throughout your time that you have been at Fluvanna?
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        I have been treated by rheumatology there, as well as
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   orthopedic, yes, ma'am.
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            MS. GRIGGS: Those are all the questions I have, Your
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   Honor.
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            THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
            MS. ELLIS: No redirect.
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            THE COURT: She may step down.
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            MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, we just need to move our
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   evidence in.
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            Your Honor, we would proffer to the Court the
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   de bene esse deposition of James Welsh, the RN, and the
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   exhibits that were associated with it. My understanding is
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   that the -- Exhibit 1 we would only proffer for
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   identification, because it's his expert report -- all the
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   expert reports in the case have been proffered for
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   identification purposes only -- and the rest of the exhibits
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   are otherwise proffered for admission based on his deposition.
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            It's our understanding that other than Exhibit 1,
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   there was no objection to the exhibits, although there was
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   objection to the de bene esse deposition. We have prepared it
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   as required by the plaintiffs with our portion of the -- with
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   their objections retained.
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            THE COURT:
                        Okay.
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            MS. CASTANEDA: And Your Honor, the plaintiffs would
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   just, as defense noted, renew their objections to the expert
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   testimony of Mr. Welsh. Again, like the other experts, we
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   don't dispute that Mr. Welsh has qualifications, but we
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   dispute whether his opinions are helpful to the trier of fact
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   and whether they are based on proper information.
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            MS. GRIGGS: Your Honor, we would move these in as
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   Exhibit 40 and Exhibit 41, if we may.
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            THE COURT: All right.
            MS. GRIGGS: 41 and 42, it would be. I apologize,
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   Your Honor. 41 and 42. I apologize.
              (Defendant Exhibit Numbers 41 and 42 were marked and
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   received.)
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            MS. GRIGGS: Oh, the -- so the -- James Welsh's
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   deposition is on this disk, Your Honor.
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            These are also medical records that are being
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   admitted into evidence based on the medical records that the
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   plaintiffs have admitted into evidence for completeness, Your
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   Honor, under Rule 106. This is the completeness for -- and
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   it's the same ones -- we will give you a list.
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            It's -- and I'm going to say her name badly --
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   Ms. Ganiere -- I apologize -- Ms. Nichols, Ms. -- let me
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   get -- can I have that list? Oh, okay. I apologize. It's
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   right on here. Ms. Cairns, Ms. Ganiere, Ms. Nichols, and
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   Ms. Hartlove, whose records were otherwise admitted by the
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   plaintiffs. And this is for completeness purposes, Your
   Honor.
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            THE COURT: All right.
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            MS. GRIGGS: We can give them to you. Yes, these are
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   all records that were produced. They are on our exhibit list
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   with their Bates numbers.
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            MR. McNELIS: Can you call those numbers out?
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            MS. GRIGGS: Oh.
   records. 42 is the de bene esse deposition. And 41 is the
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   exhibits to the de bene esse deposition.
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              (Defendant Exhibit Number 43 was marked and
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   received.)
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            THE CLERK: James Welsh?
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            MS. GRIGGS: Yes.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, we would like to request
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   that the Court accept into evidence the testimony of
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   Dr. Greifinger that was given with respect to the women whose
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   medical records were admitted as a result of Dr. Gable's
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   testimony yesterday afternoon, including Ms. Ganiere, Ms. --
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   I'm sorry, Your Honor -- Ms. Segura, Ms. Nichols, and
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   Ms. Cairns.
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            MR. McNELIS: May I respond?
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            THE COURT: Yes.
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            MR. McNELIS: Your Honor, we made it clear the only
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   reason we had Dr. Gable testify about people in
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   Dr. Greifinger's rebuttal report, which was filed late -- it
   was filed late -- was as proffer in the event the Court was
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   going to accept it.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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            MR. McNELIS: So to the extent Dr. Gable talked about
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   the four women in -- is it four in Greifinger's rebuttal
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   report?
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            MS. GRIGGS: There's four, but he was only asked
   about three of them, as I recall.
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            MR. McNELIS: Okay. Those three women, to the extent
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   Dr. Gable testified about them, that was a proffer. So the
   Court should not consider it if the Court does not consider
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   the testimony of Dr. Greifinger in his rebuttal report that
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   was late.
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            THE COURT: Okay. He's right.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, we will also note that -- I
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   think you'll recall the other day, Wednesday afternoon, that
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   we made an oral motion to strike the testimony of Dr. Herrick
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   on the grounds that he had been permitted to offer testimony
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   beyond the scope of a fact witness. We have filed a written
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   motion after being able to review the transcript. We will
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   stand on that written motion, and we will accept the Court's
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   ruling as it deems appropriate.
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            THE COURT: All right.
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                          Your Honor, can I just say that, since
            MR. McNELIS:
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   they filed a written motion, I assume that the Court would
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   allow us the standard reply time to file the opposition?
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            THE COURT: At some point, I'm going to ask both
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   sides, of course, to submit proposed findings of fact and
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   conclusions of law.
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            MR. McNELIS: Yes, sir.
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            THE COURT: And I'm going -- I want you to detail in
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   the findings of fact, where in the record your position is
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   supported.
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            MR. McNELIS:
                          Yes, sir.
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            THE COURT: Now, there is a question regarding a
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   visit to Fluvanna by the Court. And I'm inclined to do that.
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   And I'm not worried about -- I mean, it's not going to be part
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   of the evidence in the case, but it would help give me
   background. Anytime you see the scene of what you have been
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   talking about, it gives you a different -- some slant on how
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   to view some of the evidence.
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            And I mean, I know you are concerned maybe it would
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   be cleaned up or something. But that's not a -- I'm not going
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   to be taking evidence. But if one of the attorneys on each
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   side want to go along, we will give you notice.
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   going to be any surprise visit.
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            MR. HOWARD:
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            MR. McNELIS: Yes, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: So we'll schedule that.
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            And what I'm going to ask you to do is next -- say by
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   Tuesday, you have a conference call with my clerk, Mr. Juhan,
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   and work out the time schedule for filing the findings of fact
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   and things that need to be done.
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            You may want to look at how long -- I don't know
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   whether you are going to need the record or not, but you are
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   going to have to find out.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I offer closing
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   argument?
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                        Well, I don't think it's -- at this time,
            THE COURT:
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   I don't think it's really appropriate. I want the findings of
   fact and conclusion of law. And if we need any further
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   hearing, then I'll -- we'll do it. But I don't think I need a
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   closing argument. I don't think it would be particularly
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   helpful at this point.
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            MR. McNELIS: Thank you, Your Honor.
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            MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, I'm awfully disappointed.
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   At 2:30 this morning, I was hard at it.
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            MR. McNELIS: Here's my outline.
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            THE COURT: Well, just store up that energy. You
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   will probably need it another day.
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            MR. HOWARD: It's all gone, Your Honor.
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                         Okay. Anything else today?
            THE COURT:
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            MR. McNELIS: Not from the defense, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. I appreciate y'all's patience and
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   tolerance of the Court. And anyway, thank you. You have been
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   very helpful.
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             THE MARSHAL: All rise.
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         (Proceedings concluded at 4:07 p.m.)
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   I, Tracey Aurelio, certify that the foregoing is a
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   correct transcript from the record of proceedings in
   the above-entitled matter.
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              /s/ Tracey Aurelio Date: June 15, 2018
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